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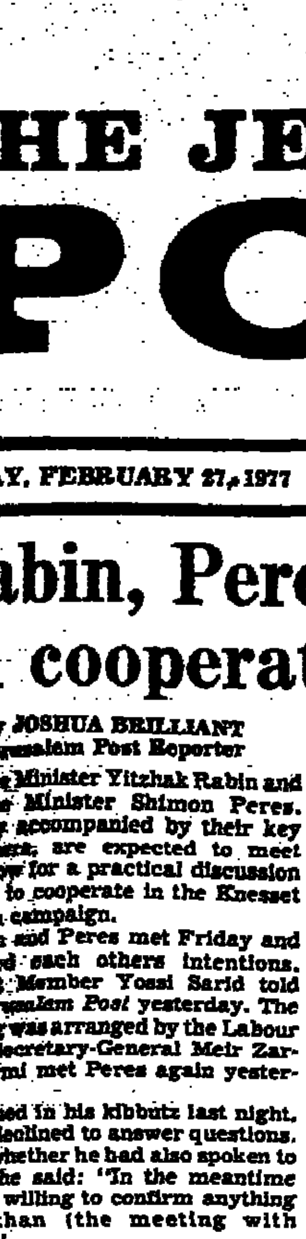

abin, Peres to continue talks n cooperation in Labour Party

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Minister Shimon Peres, accompanied by their key ers, are expected to meet row for a practical discussion w to cooperate in the Knesset on campaign.

and Peres met Friday and red each others intentions. Member Yossi Sarid told Jerusalem Post yesterday. The was arranged by the Labour Secretary-General Meir Zarmi met Peres again yester-ached in his kibbutz last night. declined to answer questions. whether he had also spoken to he said: "In the meantime ot willing to confirm anything than (the meeting with)."

ey source in Peres' camp said sides have reached an unanding on a 50-50 division of all lios "from the Cabinet to the rative shop." Peres' camp has ed on equal power because n had a majority of only 0.72 nt in the vote which decided the nation for the premiership.

t sources in Rabin's camp said was no explicit agreement. n backers were not sure her the new Central Committee lly equally divided or whether is a slight pro-Rabin majority. ill have to check the lists," one lined.

e of the reasons for the confumay have been multiple lises made by some delegates. A source told *The Post* that at 20 per cent of the delegates had ised both sides their votes.

es told Israel Radio yesterday, ote had been an achievement gh no victory, for him. esentation in the party forums d reflect this vote. He said, ad"Many members say two peoot one were elected."

a secret consultation in Peres' u on Thursday night, the parnts agreed not to cooperate in ection campaign until satisfied. vers believe the presence of abour vote getters such as Sarid and Uzi Baram in Peres', and public opinion polls which showed Peres is more popular the public than Rabin, are strong points that can be used in party manoeuvring.

Former Prime Minister Golda Meir votes for one of the resolutions passed at the Labour Party convention session on Friday. Seated between her and Prime Minister Rabin is party veteran Shraga Netzer. (ABG)

Rabin's men already have consented to a fifty fifty division of the central list in the new Central Committee. Forty-three per cent of the members of that Committee were chosen Friday, by an appointments Committee, in which Rabin's camp had a majority. The committee had made a unanimous recommendation, and Peres supporters said representation there was equal.

It is still not clear who has the upper hand in the other 57 per cent of the membership, following elections in the 15 party regions.

Peres said there will be no two camps in the party, and his cooperation with former Foreign Minister Abba Eban will continue, as will ties with all other delegates who supported his bid.

A key Peres supporter derided speculation Peres would not be Defence Minister in the next Cabinet. "The question is what else will he be, in addition to Defence Minister."

The source explained that most Central Committee members support Peres as Defence Minister. It is unlikely that the Central Committee would approve a proposed Rabin Government if Peres does not retain this portfolio.

Since Peres and Eban have decided to continue cooperation it was likewise unlikely that Eban would remain in the cold, unless he refused to enter a Rabin Government. "Eban is part of the party and you can't ignore him," key Peres supporters insisted.

Rabin had ended his speech on Friday with a conciliatory note. "I call upon members, whoever they voted for, to go together to the main struggle...to assure the Labour Movement's continued rule in the Government and the Histadrut."

LOOKS LIKE THE CIA PAID OFF...
WHAT DOES IT STAND FOR?

feared dead in fire giant Moscow hotel

OW. — Soviet officials were no casualty figures yesterday fire that roared Friday night gh the north wing and central of Moscow's mammoth Hotel ya.

unconfirmed reports cirng in diplomatic circles told of being carried from the burbuilding on Friday night, and 30 to 40 Russians might have killed. No foreign guests of the room showcase hotel were ht dead.

air crews using six crane worked through a sleet storm day to replace exploded winin the fire-blackened wing, was still draped with sheets opes some guests had used in pts to get to lower balconies.

sian television did not mention e; and one evening newspaper city covered the story with two raphs at the bottom of its third

, the official Soviet news agend the fire was believed to have with a fault in elevator equiphat sent flames roaring up the aft to the upper floors. Hunof firemen were called out to the blaze.

hotel, which has more rooms ny other in the world, can acodate 5,350 guests in its four . Opened seven years ago, the ya (Russia) is a 12-storey square, topped by a 21-storey tower, that covers several city blocks just off Red Square.

"It's a mess up there on some of the floors," said a Japanese guest who had been allowed back into the damaged area. "There is smoke and no electricity and the doors are so charred that it's hard to read the numbers."

Many parts of the hotel continued to function normally, however. Wedding parties were seen in the east and west wings, and several restaurants were operating — though not the 21st-floor tower establishment that is considered one of Moscow's finest.

About 500 Western visitors, mostly businessmen, were believed to have been in the hotel — 100 of them in the ravaged north wing. The 500 included about 60 Japanese, one of whom injured an arm smashing glass to escape.

The British Embassy said about 15 Britons had been at the hotel and that none was injured. The U.S. Embassy said it had so far accounted for more than 200 American citizens staying at the hotel.

Intourist, the Soviet state tourist agency, said two Americans had been taken to Botkin Diplomatic Hospital for treatment. Neither was believed in serious condition. A third American was treated and released. (AP)

Moscow firemen Friday night battling flames that engulfed wing of Moscow's giant Hotel Rossiya, used by many foreign visitors to the Soviet capital. (AP radiophoto)

anda radio: Just want to show them some dances

min summons all U.S. nationals to Kampala

OBI. — Uganda President Idi on Friday barred U.S. citizens leaving his country and sumd them all to an audience with et for tomorrow. But Uganda said yesterday that "it never ed his mind" to hold the icans hostage. "It is the U.S. ialists who are putting these into his mouth," the radio

U.S. had asked Amin to clarify rks that he had summoned the ximately 175 Americans — of them missionaries working landlocked country — to an 11 meeting at which they were to nit "a memorandum," mably to prove they "do not for Zionist Israel."

Uganda radio said Amin "is person who repeats his words al times," adding that a message he sent President Carter had been "very clear." The long message had been in response to Carter's remarks that recent reported mass murders in Uganda had "disgusted the entire civilised world."

In his cable, Amin had retorted, "all you have said about Uganda is false." He had also declared that Uganda was "ready to meet" the 5,000 U.S. marines he claimed were on standby to parachute into Uganda to evacuate Americans.

He linked the latest supposed plan to overthrow his government to Israel's July 4, 1976 invasion of the Entebbe Airport... A lot of Ugandan property, including modern planes and sophisticated weapons were destroyed, Amin said, in that mission (which had rescued Jews held hostage there).

However, Uganda radio was more conciliatory yesterday, saying Amin wanted to thank the Americans for their work in Uganda and would probably give them a big reception with cultural shows and African dances.

"This meeting should not cause unnecessary alarm," it said.

In Washington, a presidential press spokesman said the broadcast was helpful in allaying concern over the U.S. citizens. He also denied that marines were poised to invade Uganda.

U.S. sources in Nairobi doubt that all the U.S. nationals in Uganda were aware of Amin's orders to gather in Kampala. Several missionaries live and work in remote parts of the country cut off from modern communications, they said. For example, for four Americans working for the African Inland Mission in the West Nile region and in northwestern Uganda the nearest telephone was 64 km. away.

Meanwhile, fresh news reports circulating in the Kenyan capital yesterday said a Cuban military delegation had arrived in Kampala to discuss ways to help Uganda with armaments and personnel if necessary.

The reports, quoting 'reliable sources' in Kampala, said up to 1,000 Cubans are already in Uganda, following the signing earlier this month of a military agreement by Amin and Cuban general Francisco Cabrera.

Libya's head of state, Muammar Gaddafi, has already pledged troops to Amin if he needs them, the Ugandan leader said last week.

(UPI, Reuter)

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Jerusalem sceptical to Beirut report

By DAVID LANDAU
Post Diplomatic Reporter

Israel officials last night treated news of the latest agreement between Sarkis and the PLO with cautious scepticism.

"The test will be in the implementation," a highly-placed source observed. He noted that a good many such agreements had been trumpeted in the past, only to fail in the execution.

Foreign Minister Yigal Allon is expected to give an initial analysis of the agreement at today's Cabinet meeting.

Earlier last night, sources in Jerusalem warned that Israel would "not tolerate" any resumption of terror activity across the Lebanese border. For the present, the sources said, Israel was watching the situation in southern Lebanon closely. Israel would not act, they indicated, as long as there was no provocation from the other side.

Some 3,500 Palestinian terrorists are believed to be stationed in southern Lebanon at the present time. The sources noted that the terrorist presence in the area had normally been "in the thousands" — though it had fallen off when several units moved northwards to take part in the civil war fighting — and was now rising again.

The sources recalled that Israel had last month made a deliberate and calculated choice in demanding the withdrawal of Syrian troops from the area — at the risk of facilitating a greater terrorist presence. Jerusalem had considered the terrorists the lesser of the two evils from the strategic and security standpoints.

Some observers suggested last night that the Syrians might have purposely encouraged now a large-scale return of PLO men to southern Lebanon to support their argument that without their own forces the terrorists would move back — and possibly to justify another Syrian incursion in the future.

Lebanese President Sarkis' reported proposal for a UN buffer force on the border was received without enthusiasm in Jerusalem. "The problem of southern Lebanon is not an Israel-Lebanon problem, but an internal Lebanese problem," one high official remarked. "The Lebanese government must assert its own authority in the area."

Israel and Lebanon have not been at war, and there is thus no need for a UN buffer force, the official added. The small number of UNTSO observers stationed on the border since 1949 had always done their job effectively, and continued to do so, he said.

PLO agrees to quit areas near border

But some terror groups may refuse

By ANAN SAFADI
Post Mideast Affairs Editor

The Palestine Liberation Organization has undertaken to withdraw its forces from southern Lebanese regions bordering Israel, Beirut reports said last night.

The reports said that the PLO pullback was outlined in an agreement reached yesterday between Lebanese President Elias Sarkis and PLO chief Yasser Arafat under pressure exerted by a number of Arab governments. It was not clear whether the various PLO factions, especially those in the "rejection front," would acquiesce in the withdrawal.

The new agreement said that PLO forces would be withdrawn to the southern coastal town of Tyre. The agreement also called for relocating Palestinian refugees from troubled southern Beirut in new camps, to be constructed chiefly by Saudi Arabia.

The news of the new agreement followed threats of a new showdown between Christian militias and the PLO in southern Lebanon, from which thousands of families were reported fleeing northward. The plight of the southern Lebanese, it was said, has worsened in several districts where a Syrian-dominated Arab League peacekeeping force has been stationed since last November. Its task has been to police the jittery end to Lebanon's nearly two-year-long civil war.

Beirut reports over the weekend spoke of intermittent but savage clashes between Christian militias and the PLO in south-eastern Lebanon, although no evidence of large-scale fighting could be detected from the Israel side of the border.

According to these reports, the stake was a number of strategic hills controlling routes to major southern Lebanese towns, including the PLO-controlled Bint Jbail. An announcement by the Christian militia that they had captured Bint Jbail could not be confirmed from any other source by late last night.

The weekend clashes capped a week-long campaign by Christian militias to flush out the PLO forces whose numbers have recently increased by about 3,500 men.

At one stage yesterday, the Lebanese government was reported considering urging the U.N. Security Council to send an international force to police the south. However, following the reported PLO agreement to withdraw, the government is now said to have promised to send a regrouped Lebanese army brigade of 1,000 to 2,000 men to maintain security there soon.

The situation in southern Lebanon is expected to be high on the agenda of the presidents of Egypt and Syria, Anwar Sadat and Hafez Assad, who are scheduled to meet today in Khartoum to incorporate Sudan in the joint political command set up recently between Cairo and Damascus.

Sadat and Assad, now hammering out a joint Middle East diplomatic offensive, were both reportedly opposed to a further deterioration in southern Lebanon where a stepped up PLO presence could trigger a strong Israeli reaction. Yet the two leaders are trying to keep the PLO intact to be used as a lever in their political bargaining.

The talks between Sadat and Assad on southern Lebanon are likely to be extended to a discussion on the overall political fate of the PLO. Both Sadat and Assad have recently called on the PLO to enter "some sort of confederate link" with Jordan, although this stance appears to have been modified in the wake of reports that King Hussein has been on the CIA payroll.

PLO won't revoke charter

Post Mideast Affairs Editor

The Palestine Liberation Organization will not revoke sections of its covenant which call for the dismantling of Israel and its replacement with a "secular democratic state," the PLO's foreign affairs chief said yesterday.

Farouk Kaddoumi, in three separate interviews with the Arab press, said that the PLO would not recognize secure boundaries for Israel, nor would it drop its demand for the establishment of an independent Palestinian state.

Kaddoumi said that while the PLO favoured close relations with Jordan, it would not agree to be part of a Jordanian delegation in forthcoming Middle East negotiations, in Geneva or at other places.

20 more Israel Arabs to visit Hussein

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — The Jordan government has given another 20 Israel Arabs permission to visit Jordan for a condolence visit to King Hussein on the death of his wife Alia. Half are members of the prominent Fahoum family here; it is believed that the permission was obtained by the intercession of Jordanian members of the same family. Last week a party of 32 Israel Arabs paid a condolence call on Hussein. Several hundred Arabs, mainly Moslems, have applied for permission to visit Jordan and Jerusalem is considering the requests.

Vance to give Carter's view on boycott

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Congressional supporters of strong legislation to make it illegal for U.S. companies to comply with the Arab boycott against Israel are anxiously awaiting Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's testimony before congressional committees tomorrow and Tuesday.

Vance will outline the Carter Administration's stand on this crucial issue. Since taking office on January 20, the Administration has been sending out mixed signals.

During the election campaign, President Jimmy Carter strongly opposed the Arab boycott, often calling for new legislation to punish those U.S. firms that cooperate with it. He condemned former President Ford's opposition to new legislation.

But since taking office, Carter Administration officials, apparently following the advice of the State Department, which is concerned over a negative Arab (especially Saudi Arabian) backlash if new legal measures are adopted, have left it unclear whether the Administration will go along with pending legislation in Congress.

Vance, since becoming Secretary of State, has said only that the Administration was studying the problem in connection with U.S. foreign policy considerations in the Middle East.

But supporters of the legislation insist that this is a purely domestic U.S. issue — not a foreign policy matter — and it should not be linked to efforts to win new friends in the Arab world by compromising on basic American principles of free trade and non-discrimination.

Senators William Proxmire (Democrat-Wisconsin) and Harrison Williams (Democrat - N.J.) and Representatives Jonathan Bingham and Benjamin Rosenthal (Democrats - N.Y.) have introduced virtually identical bills in the Senate and House respectively, outlawing the so-called secondary and tertiary Arab boycotts. Senator Adlai Stevenson (Democrat - Illinois) has put forward a somewhat "weaker" bill.

American Jewish organizations support the stronger measures.

Carter hails Hussein as CIA info source

WASHINGTON. — Describing Jordan's King Hussein as "our most reliable source" of information in the Middle East, President Carter told congressional leaders he had sought to discourage "The Washington Post" from disclosing U.S. Central Intelligence Agency payments to Hussein, congressional sources said on Friday.

In his account — given to the congressional leaders on Tuesday — Carter confirmed the CIA payments to Hussein, something he has declined to do publicly.

It remained unclear when Carter first learned of the payments, which he ordered cancelled after "The Post" began its inquiry.

But a Senate source said former CIA director George Bush had told the Senate Intelligence Committee about the arrangement some time ago, and had encountered no opposition there.

(AP)

J'lem backs down on U.S. oil-rigs in its Sinai waters

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Israel has quietly agreed to permit an Amoco rig drilling for oil on the Egyptian side of the Gulf of Suez median line to anchor on the Israel side of the line, informed sources here disclosed yesterday.

The sources made it clear that the actual Amoco drilling rig was stationed west of the median line, and that only its anchor was to the east — on the Israel side of the Gulf.

Previously Israel had refused to agree to allow Amoco anchors beyond the median line. But following State Department intervention on behalf of the U.S. oil company last week, Israel quietly dropped its objections.

Last Thursday the State Department's spokesman told reporters that the U.S. and Israel had reached agreement on this problem and that Amoco was continuing its drilling operations. Earlier, Israel patrol boats opened fire on Amoco drilling markers moving east of the median line.

Washington and Jerusalem are in fundamental disagreement over where Israel's occupation begins — at the Israel shore-line of the Gulf of Suez (the Washington claim) or along the median line, which runs equidistant from the Israel and Egyptian-held shores.

Doctors strike today, civil servants tomorrow

By ZE'EV SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hospital doctors and representatives of the Civil Service Commission were reported to be negotiating late last night in an attempt to avert a strike which is threatening to paralyse all of the country's hospitals as of this morning.

Between 2,500 and 2,700 of the doctors have said that they would put their hospitals on a "shabbat footing," accepting only extreme emergency cases. They are demanding implementation of the pay increases they won after a strike three months ago.

The representative of the Civil Service Commissioner, in an interview broadcast yesterday, accused the doctors of attempting to extort benefits over and beyond those given them in the new contract.

This, according to the representative, included wage hikes and other benefits, doubling the gross income of the doctors.

On Friday, the spokesman of the Health Ministry also claimed that the Treasury and the Ministry of Finance were delaying implementation of the new wage scale agreed upon for the doctors, but said that the doctors would be getting what was due them with their March paycheques.

Simha Kraisman, secretary-general of the Federation of Physicians, told *The Jerusalem Post* here yesterday that the government had not given any "implementation orders" to the accounting departments, although the new agreement had expressly stipulated the amendment of the doctors' salaries "no later than February 1977" and that payment of all retroactive sums due would be made by April of this year.

"All that has happened so far is that I have been given the run-around for these past three weeks, chasing from one government office to the other," Kraisman said.

"This is going to be only a one-day warning strike but unless something gives soon we will consider taking more serious steps in the very near future," he added.

The doctors' strike will be followed tomorrow by a national strike of the 58,000 civil servants, according to the union secretariat here on Friday.

The civil servants are protesting against the alleged continued erosion of their salaries in its real purchasing value as well as in comparison to the wage agreements approved recently.

A secretariat spokesman said that tomorrow's walkout was scheduled for one day only "for the time being," adding that the union's executive members would meet here the same day and that it was "quite likely" that unless their demands were met by then they would decide to continue the strike.

Eliahu Reif, secretary-general of the Union of Clerks, denied reports that his union would join the civil servants strike tomorrow but said that the 140,000 members were also insisting on "keeping abreast" with recent wage hikes.

The clerks still have a valid labour contract which extends until April 1978 and which is limited to a two and a half per cent wage hike for each of two years. This, in view of the recent agreements, however, was no longer adequate, Reif said.

"Unless this situation is corrected — and we warned the Histadrut against wage hikes only three days before these were given to the engineers and others — we will have each sector of our union (municipal, Jewish Agency, Histadrut, etc.) negotiating directly with their employers and give them carte blanche to fend for themselves, including the option of strikes," Reif warned.

Incidents at Machpela Cave

HEBRON. — Disturbances broke out at the Cave of the Patriarchs on Friday, when Arab worshippers tried to take through the synagogue the coffin of a man who had died in the Cave. They wanted to take the body into the mosque for funeral prayers.

They were prevented by soldiers from carrying the coffin through the synagogue, and scuffles broke out. The mourners were eventually dispersed with the use of tear gas.

Yesterday, Kiryat Arba residents praying in the synagogue at the Cave discovered that a number of prayer books had been torn. Last night, they showed the desecrated books to Military Government officials, and sent a letter to the Military Governor demanding to be allowed to mount permanent guard at the cave, to prevent a repetition of such incidents.

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Golan	36	7—17	20
Nahariya	68	6—19	21
Safad	54	9—15	18
Haifa Port	58	11—19	22
Tiberias	36	8—24	26
Nazareth	54	10—18	20
Afula	58	6—20	23
Shomron	70	9—16	19
Tel Aviv	68	10—19	22
B-G Airport	63	7—20	23
Jericho	37	8—23	26
Gaza	76	10—18	20
Beersheba	40	8—20	23
Eilat	45	11—26	27
Tiran Straits	38	16—25	26

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

David Storey's "The Farm" will be read, in English, by the ZOA House drama circle, at 8.30 p.m. tomorrow, at ZOA House, Tel Aviv.

A luncheon in honour of Phil Granovsky, President of the United Israel Appeal of Canada, Inc., was given at Beit Shalom, Jerusalem, on Friday by Ezra Z. Shapiro, World Chairman Keren Hayesod-United Israel Appeal.

Prof. A. R. Battersby, FRS, of the University Chemical Laboratory, Cambridge, will give a lecture on "How nature makes her porphyrins," at the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical Centre, at 11:15 this morning in hall gimmel, the School of Pharmacy.

ARRIVALS

Amalia Rodrigues, Portuguese fado singer, from Paris, for a series of appearances.

Sam Rothberg, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University and general chairman of Israel Bonds, for the Jewish Agency Board of Governors meeting and Hebrew University business.

DEPARTURES

Alex Lewinstein, chairman of the Furniture Exporters Guild for a number of EEC countries, to boost sales.

Meir Amit, managing director of Koor Industries, for Honolulu, to lecture at an international conference of top industrial executives (by El Al).

New Gerer Rebbe

Rabbi Simha-Bunim Alter yesterday became the new Rabbi of the Gur Hassidim *(Gerer Rebbe)*, following the termination of the *shiva* (seven days of mourning) for his brother, the late Yisrael Alter.

Ten elders of the Gerer "court" in Jerusalem informed the new *rebbe* that his brother had left oral instructions that Rabbi Simha, 80, was to succeed him.

Thousands of *hassidim* from all over the country were reported yesterday to be streaming to Jerusalem to receive the new *rebbe's* blessing.

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'Ready to yield territory in West Bank for peace'

Labour softens peace plank, but rebuffs doves

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party convention softened its peace plank on Friday, expressing readiness for a territorial withdrawal in the West Bank for a peace settlement.

The party thus deviated from its earlier platform which had been vague on the future of Judea and Samaria to satisfy both doves and hawks.

Former Defence Minister Moshe Dayan attempted to block this shift by tabling three amendments — but failed to win endorsement.

On the other hand, the convention roundly defeated a proposed amendment that said Israel would negotiate with Palestinian groups which would recognize Israel and abide by UN resolutions 242 and 338.

The key decision adopted yesterday said that "the political efforts to reach a permanent peace in defensible borders with Egypt, Jordan and Syria are to be continued with readiness for territorial compromise with each of them, and with Lebanon in the present boundaries."

Observers noted the significance of the words "each of them." The party's policy up to now has merely expressed "readiness for territorial compromise." Since it was not specified where, the hawks could claim there was no readiness to yield territory in Judea and Samaria.

Appearing before the convention, Dayan argued for upholding the ambiguity. He said he did not believe peace could be attained through a territorial partition. "If we conclude peace with them, it will be by mutual understanding as a result of living *side by side with each other* rather than a division along a line," he said.

Moreover, the former Defence Minister argued, the world never recognized Jordan's decision to annex the West Bank (after the 1949 armistice agreement was signed), and Israel should not do so now.

Dayan warned that the U.S. might take advantage of the new development and pressure Israel to cede some territory in the West Bank before a peace agreement is signed. "They will say: 'Since you're prepared to divide the West Bank in the context of an over-all peace, give something for peace.' We'll find it very difficult to withstand pressures," Dayan added. "I'm speaking from experience."

The former Defence Minister told the convention: "I'm not opposed to recognizing Jordanian sovereignty over part of the West Bank, when this will be part of a peace agreement acceptable to us....But to adopt this formula (expressing readiness to withdraw) in advance, without having reached an agreement with them...we shouldn't do it."

Minister without Portfolio Yisrael Galili maintained that Israel was not drawing maps. The committee's proposal did not constitute a recognition of Jordanian sovereignty over the West Bank but was merely a statement that "we would be willing *to give (territory) to Jordan, not to* a Palestinian state, not to the PLO nor any other body."

Galili said that "Israel's readiness for peace, even at the expense of a territorial compromise with Jordan in Judea and Samaria, should be expressed, and should be a basis for educating (people) so that nobody outside or inside, willingly or unwillingly would be able to blur it."

A decisive majority then rejected Dayan's proposal.

In earlier meetings in the subcommittee which drafted the plank, former Prime Minister Golda Meir urged that any agreement calling for ceding territory in the West Bank should be ratified only after elections since the issue is so divisive. But she did not muster sufficient support there. The convention decided on Friday that any peace agreement is subject "to approval by the Government and the Knesset."

These decisions paved the way for Mapam to continue its alignment with Labour. Mapam's Central Committee will meet here this morning.

A narrow majority also defeated a Dayan proposal to amend the section which says that the Government should give priority to settlement in "the Jerusalem district...and the Jordan Valley." It should say "the West Bank," he maintained.

"I see no reason why there should be no settlement in Mt. Hebron," Dayan said. He reported that he had asked Danny Rosolio, chairman of the sub-committee which prepared the plank, why there was this specification. Rosolio replied, Dayan said, that this had followed consultations with the World Zionist Organization's Settlement Department and other bodies.

"It is not for Yehiel Admoni (director-general of the Settlement Department) to determine where there will be settlement," Dayan declared. "This is the Government's responsibility, and Yehiel Admoni should implement the decision."

Dayan reasoned that, by saying there will be settlement in the Jerusalem environs and in the Jordan Valley, the party is tacitly saying that there will be no settlement elsewhere in the West Bank.

Minister Galili's reply appeared to some listeners to be only half-hearted. Galili is chairman of the Ministerial committee on settlement.

The specification gives those settlements the convention's moral and political endorsement, Galili said.

The minister created a storm when he began "before the last Mapam convention..." The rest of the sentence was drowned by convention members who shouted that Mapam will not dictate to Labour what policies to adopt. The minister corrected himself again: "I told our friends in Mapam that if they present an ultimatum about settlement in the Jordan Valley, there will be no Alignment."

Dayan's proposal was defeated by 659 votes against 606.

The former Defence Minister also protested against the proposal which says that settlement will be made "in the context of the government's decision to assure . . . defensible borders." He said, "As far as I'm concerned, there is no difference between the reasons for settling in Nahalal, Ein Harod and Degania and for settlement in Kiryat Arba and Mehola..."

Galili replied that by now there is no need to specify Israel's Zionistic ideals regarding settlement. He said the plank is designed to answer "one of the most essential political needs in the international arena, and that is stressing what the identity between settlements and defensible borders is for us."

Questioned earlier by reporters, Dayan was silent on his future in Labour should his demands be rejected. Asked what his next step would be, he said: "I haven't decided to leave the party. If I decide, I'll make it known." Asked whether he was considering such a move he replied: "I don't have to tell you more than that. Do I have to consult you?"

The convention also rejected a proposal that Israel express readiness to talk to Palestinian groups who will recognize this country and accept UN Security Council resolutions 242 and 338.

Yitzhak Navon, the chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, who argued for this amendment, said he opposed creation of an independent Palestinian state between Israel and Jordan. But Israel will find it easier to plead its case if it appears flexible. "You've heard our friends from Holland and other countries," he said.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin told the convention that the Palestinian issue is not the key issue and the Palestinians can find their "particular expression ... in the Jordanian-Palestinian state.... We must conduct negotiations with states and not missions," he added.

Galili noted that Israel hoped Jordan would include Palestinian representatives from the West Bank in its delegation.

Navon's motion was then resoundingly defeated.

Excerpts from Labour's peace plank

Consistent striving for peace: The central objective of Israel is the attainment of peace with the neighbouring states and the weaving of the fabric of cooperation between the peoples of the region. Israel has been striving for this target ever since it came into being, and the fact that it has not been reached is due to the policy of hostility, war and boycott pursued by the Arab States all these years. None the less, the political efforts to reach permanent peace in defensible borders with Egypt, Jordan and Syria are to be continued with readiness for territorial compromise with each of them, and with Lebanon — with the present boundaries.

Israel will support the convention of the Geneva Conference without delay, composed of the participants as agreed in December, 1973. This agreement constitutes the base for the Peace Conference and should not be deviated from. Israel rejects the invitation of *representatives of PLO and terrorist organisations.*

At the Peace Conference and through all channels of international relations, Israel will strive for peace agreements to be arrived at by negotiation without precondition, without pressures, and without attempts by any party to impose anything.

The peace agreements should ensure:

- a) Cessation of all elements of hostility, blockade, and boycott.
- b) Defensible borders enabling Israel to defend itself efficiently against military attack or attempts at blockade, and based upon territorial compromise. Peace borders should replace the cease-fire lines. Demilitarization provisions and political arrangements are to be included in the peace agreements, additional to agreed and recognised defensible borders, and not instead of them. Israel will not return to the borders of June 4, 1967, which constituted an encitement to aggression.
- c) United Jerusalem is the Capital of Israel. In the peace arrangements, the special religious status of the places holy to Islam and Christianity should be safeguarded, under autonomous administration.
- d) The Jewish character of the State of Israel so as to realise its Zionist destination and its tasks in immigration and ingathering of the exiles.
- e) The beginning of an era of regular relationships between Israel and the neighbouring states in the political, economic, social and cultural fields.

The peace agreement with Jordan is to be based upon the existence of two independent states: Israel with its capital in United Jerusalem, and an Arab state to the east of Israel. Israel rejects the establishment of an additional separate Palestinian Arab State to the west of the Jordan River. In the neighbouring Jordanian-Palestinian state, the independent identity of the Palestinian and Jordanian Arabs will be able to find its expression, in peace and good neighbourliness with Israel.

Any peace agreement is to be signed subject to approval by the Government and the Knesset.

Vance says Israel needn't talk to PLO

TEL AVIV. — U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance does not consider the PLO to be an appropriate partner for negotiations as long as it adheres to the current Palestinian Convention, which advocates the destruction of the State of Israel.

This was reported on Friday by Foreign Ministry director-general Professor Shlomo Avineri, speaking before the Tel Aviv Engineers Club.

Replacing the scheduled speaker, Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, Avineri said that this view, expressed during Vance's recent visit, was an important addition to U.S. Middle Eastern policy, even though Vance's remarks received little publicity during the visit itself. (Itim)

Carter thanks Kollek for Koren Bible

Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem last week received a letter from President Jimmy Carter, thanking him for the Bible sent by Kollek on the occasion of Carter's inauguration.

The Koren Bible was especially bound in leather.

"This gift," Carter wrote, "will serve as a lasting reminder of the unique heritage of your city."

No authority for Rabin in Washington, says Likud

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — The Knesset must instruct Premier Yitzhak Rabin, as head of a minority caretaker government, not to make any political commitments on behalf of the State during his discussions in Washington, Menahem Begin insisted on Friday. The Likud leader asked the Speaker for leave to raise in the Knesset as an urgent matter the subject of the Prime Minister's trip to the U.S. next month, claiming Rabin does not represent a majority of the electorate.

Another Likud MK, Liberal leader Simha Ehrlich urged that, for reasons of national self-respect and the lack of valid authority, Rabin should not go to Washington next month. Speaking at the engineers forum in *Haifa* on *Friday* he congratulated Rabin on his victory at the Labour Party convention and wished him success "as an opposition leader." His party had been rather miserly with its confidence in him, Ehrlich said.

"In the light of this, his trip to Washington looks undesirable. It will produce no benefit. On the face of it there could have been only one reason for it: to influence the American Government to approve the sale of the 25 Kfir planes to Ecuador which now will buy its planes from France or the Soviet Union. But, after the last word on the subject by Secretary of State Vance, that reason has fallen away...Rabin will arrive in Washington without the necessary authority and cannot commit himself there to anything.

..."It rather looks as if the trip is intended for internal consumption, for election purposes," said Ehrlich. "But there is such a thing as national self-respect. Rabin will render a service to the nation by cancelling or postponing the visit."

Speaking on "the outlook for 1977" Ehrlich termed the package deal between the Government and the Histadrut "not a package, not a deal, but an empty box." For it was ridiculous to expect that either prices or wages could remain stable as long as the government was printing and pumping money into the economy and inflating the amount in circulation.

Mapam leader says Rabin's victory didn't please all

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Political speeches over the weekend showed mixed reactions from outside the Labour Party to Yitzhak Rabin's narrow victory in the contest for the party's candidate for prime minister, with reservations coming from both the left and the right.

Not all Mapam's leaders are happy *with the choice of Rabin by a slim* majority over Shimon Peres, Mapam's secretariat member Latif Dori told a meeting of top Arab Mapam members on Friday.

Dori, a left-winger who heads the party's Arab department, recalled that 40 per cent of the participants in the Mapam convention had asked specifically for the termination of the alignment with Labour. The narrowness of Rabin's victory indicated poor prospects for the continuation of the Alignment, he said.

But Health Minister Victor Shemtov, speaking to Mapam activists in the capital yesterday, reiterated party central committee secretary Elazar Granott's estimate that, with Mapam support taken into account, more than 60 per cent of the Alignment back Rabin for prime minister.

Mapam had never rejected Shimon Peres on a personal basis, Shemtov said, and the party has many friends in the Peres camp, whose social and political ideas are close to those of Mapam.

The Rabin victory and the voting down of Moshe Dayan's foreign policy proposals at the Labour convention led one NRP spokesman to *conclude that "Labour is handcuffed* to Mapam." He said the NRP would appeal to religious members of the Labour Party to withhold their votes, because of this "left orientation."

Moked spokesman Ran Cohen told supporters in Haifa at the weekend that Rabin's "dovishness" should not be taken for granted. Rabin was supported by "prominent hawks such as Golda Meir, and Yisrael Galili," Cohen argued, and his win showed the "ascendance of the right."

ILP convention opening today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Independent Liberal Party national convention opens at the Habimah theatre this afternoon, with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin bringing the Labour party's greetings.

Tourism Minister Moshe Kol will give the opening session an outline of the party's aims. He will be followed by Minister without Portfolio Gideon Hausner, who will speak on peace prospects.

Kol told his party's executive on Thursday that Rabin and Foreign Minister Allon are over-optimistic about Egyptian president Sadat's recent proclamations that a Palestinian entity should be linked with Jordan. In reality, Kol believes, Sadat supports the establishment of a Palestinian state alongside Jordan.

'NY Times' urges strong bid for peace with Arabs

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — "The New York Times" has called upon Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to seek a strong mandate in the forthcoming Knesset election campaign to *negotiate a peace settlement with* the Arab states.

"Mr. Rabin will discover on his visit to the U.S. next month (that) he and his rivals will not be well regarded in official Washington if they fail to use the election to obtain a mandate for the most imaginative performance in the negotiations to come," the newspaper said in an editorial.

"The bargaining of 1977 must leave no doubt about Israel's exertions towards peace and no dark mutterings in Washington that political paralysis in Jerusalem is causing Israel intransigence," it added.

During a pause in the convention proceedings, forme Minister Moshe Dayan and Foreign Minister Yigal Allo for a chat.

Doubts that Rabin eyes defence ministr

By HIRSH GOODMAN, Post Military Reporter

Reports that Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is considering taking on the Defence portfolio in addition to the premiership if he forms the next government, have been met with scepticism by some defence experts.

A qualified defence source told *The Jerusalem Post* that such a move would be "ill-considered," because it would be virtually impossible for any one man to control efficiently and effectively both the defence and political establishment.

Ben-Gurion and Levi Eshkol held both portfolios (the latter until a few days before the Six Day War when he handed the Defence Ministry over to Moshe Dayan), but it is impossible to compare either the size of the present day Israel Defence Forces or the scope of the overall activities of the Defence establishment with the Ben-Gurion and Eshkol d source said.

Since the Six Day Wa Rabin was Chief of Staff, th explained, the armed forc grown "by several hund cent," both in terms of eq and manpower.

Furthermore, he said, dec trol of the army was nece this age of sophisticated we "One must remember," h "that the enemy's capabili grown beyond recognition, a the confrontation states now the means to surprise Israel tremendous array of dest should our vigilance slip f moment."

None of the views expressed was made to *The Post* b member of the incumbent D Minister's staff.

Tel Hai anniversary this week

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KIRYAT SHMONA. — Ten days of events marking the 57th anniversary of the death of Yosef Trumpeldor and his comrades who fell defending Tel Hai were opened here yesterday by 3,500 members of the Hanoar Haoved Vehalomed youth movement.

The youngsters, who paraded through the streets of this town, not far from the historic site, will be followed by some 15,000 members of all the other Zionist youth movements who will hold ceremonies at Tel Hai throughout the week.

The main ceremony will be Tuesday, the 11th of Adar. It preceded by a sound-and-ligh on Monday *night*, depicti heroic last stand at Tel Hai.

Throughout the country, te will tell the story of Tel Hai t pupils. The national museum Hai, which is part o reconstructed farmstead, w open to the public free of cha

On Friday, some 60 Noar youngsters met in Metulla Christian Arab children from the Lebanese border for a together and songfest.

Israel puts on a game sh at Nuremberg Toy Fair

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NUREMBERG. — Israel made a strong showing at the 28th International Nuremberg Toy Fair which has just ended.

Fourteen exhibitors from the relatively youthful Israel toy industry displayed their newest educational games, puzzles, educational materials, musical instruments, and wooden and plastic toys.

Observers said that the Israel products were "especially interesting" because under a free trade agreement with the European Common Market (EEC) they will be fully exempt from EEC import duties from next July 1 on.

Orders at the Nuremberg fair for Israel toys for 1977 reportedly trebled over the previous year.

The Nuremberg toy show is a major market for dealers who a making their decisions on w offer the European public la year and next Christmas.

Britain was the biggest fore hibitor this year, with 112 the fair. Italy followed with hibitors and 21 came from An estimated 20,000 buyer over 70 countries visited the

Greece raised its part from four to 12 exhibitors th displaying toys which observ were marked by relatively lo artistic design and quality. G ficials said they expected th exports this year to exc million.

Hongkong, with *26 fi* Nuremberg, was also view strong competitor with Eu and Japanese toy produce pecially in the electromec field.

Tractor crushes child

ASHKELON. — A child was crushed to death at Moshav Sde David, in the Lachish region, on Thursday when she fell into the path of a tractor being driven by her uncle.

Three-and-a-half year-old Revital Adari was riding on the tractor when it jolted while travelling along a dirt road. Revital slipped off her seat and was crushed to death before her uncle, Yosef Adari, 29, managed to stop the tractor. (Itim)

Wall falls, kills boy

TEL AVIV. — A boy was killed here yesterday afternoon when a wall collapsed on him. Eli Tata, aged 11, was playing in a house in the process of demolition in Sderot Har Zion, when the wall fell on him.

Police are investigating the circumstances of the accident. (Itim)

SIRENS WILL signal a Civil Defence exercise in Eilat tomorrow with blasts of one or two minutes. In case of a genuine emergency, the whistles will rise and fall for three minutes.

Factory worker ki

A worker at the Off poultry plant in Jerus Romema district was killed day when he fell into the ma he was cleaning.

The worker, 28-year-old B Fakiya, of Ramallah, appar the machinery in action acci and was struck in the che machine used for de-fea chickens. He died on the spo

Stabbed by skewer

HAIFA. — A 72-year-old res Kiryat Ata was wounded on day when a neighbour stabb in the stomach with a meat s

David Eliashkov was ta hospital and his 50-yea neighbour arrested for questi The two men have long been with one another.

FORGED ACCOUNTS, sup signed by the kitchen mana of Kibbutz Ein Hamifrats, ha the kibbutz over IL14,000 du past few months. The Acre po investigating.

Eye on Olympics as youth get training

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — With an eye on the Moscow Olympic Games in 1980, and beyond, the Sports Authority is now financing special intensive training for young athletes of outstanding promise, Sports Commissioner Yariv Oren said on Friday.

He said that 78 gifted young gymnasts, athletes and swimmers are undergoing special coaching, and talent scouts are looking for promising boys and girls, between the ages of 7 and 14. Newsmen were told that an "Olympic unit" was being established.

Oren declared that "we believe our athletes in individual sports can reach the level of *achievement of* small population countries, such as Finland, Norway and Switzerland."

The commissioner reported that he was awaiting a government allocation of IL40m. for the 1977 fiscal year — which he described as "not enough" — but until that was final, he would not reveal his draft budget. The Sports Authority expected to spend IL1m. for training of gifted athletes and another IL500,000 for the absorption of new immigrant sportsmen and coaches.

The Sports Authority was already supporting 39 sports, Oren said, and any new sport that could produce an acceptable plan of activity could obtain financial assistance.

Oren was critical of the percentage of Hapoel's (IL23m.) which went to adm tion and the Hapoel cent leaves too little for actual spo asserted.

He called for decentralisati *greater autonomy* for each The activities at the club leve not at the administrative c were the backbone of sport country, Oren said.

Nevertheless, Hapoel expec allocation of IL4m., with oth tres, like Maccabi and featured prominently i authority's expenditure colu

Asked if any change in allocations could be antici Oren answered that the au was currently studying ho money was being spent o ground. The results could lea change of policy, he stated.

We mourn with Mirit and the children in saying farewell to our friend and protector

ISRAEL GAL-EDD

Sam and Sydney
U.K. Immigrants

In deep sorrow, we announce the death of our dear father,
grandfather

LEON CHEIFETZ

a former member of Hagdud Ha'ivri
The funeral was held on Friday, February 25, 1977,
at Kfar Avihail.

The Family in Israel and Abroad

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هكذا من الأجل

ANCIER Shmuel Flatto (Sharon) leaves the
salem Magistrates Court on Friday, after
ing a document extending his bail guarantees.
e court informed him that he could elect to sub-
ute one single IL5m. bank guarantee for the variety of liens and other guarantees currently composing his IL10m. bail. Flatto is suspected of fraud and attempted bribery in France. The French extradition request is bring studied by the Attorney-General's office. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

gency's problem is the budget

ught in a squeeze between infla-
and falling revenues, the Jewish
ncy's Board of Governors will
ad much of their time this week
ding what and how much to cut
n the new budget.

Money matters are being
otiated even before all the non-
el members of the 42-member
rd arrive in Jerusalem for the of-
al opening of the board meeting
Tuesday.

he Solomonic decision facing the
rd this time (they meet three or
r times a year) is whether to set
budget according to what cash is
hand or whether to take a chance
l plan for a higher sum that may
ne in. The problem is expected to
even more severe than last year.
e 1976-77 budget was originally set
502m., but later whittled down to
0m. because of inadequate in-
ne.

ewish Agency sources say they
not turn to the government to bail

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

them out this year. If more loans are taken, too much of the budget will be eaten up by repayment.

Housing programmes supported by the Agency have already been cut considerably. There is reluctance to slash severely the allocation to higher education, which was $72m. last year, in light of government cutbacks in funds to universities. Although the number of immigrant youngsters taken under the wing of Youth Aliya institutions has decreased, the Agency is under pressure to increase the number of native-born disadvantaged youths.

Rural settlements that have recently been established are begging for funds so they can strengthen their economic foundations.

Agency Treasurer Arye Dulzin and budget and finance committee chairman Melvin Dubinsky of the U.S. have been sitting together in preliminary sessions on the budget, with their recommendations to be brought before the committee today.

Also on the agenda for the board's two days of formal sessions are a discussion on fund-raising; a report by Agency Executive chairman Yosef Almogi on what has been done in the last year; a review of work done by World Zionist Organization departments (an innovation at the Agency board meeting) and a progress report by the Harvard Business School team that is studying the aliya department.

Among the overseas board members who have arrived for the meeting are: Irving Bernstein, executive vice-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal; Frank R. Lautenberg, UJA general chairman; and Jerold C. Hoffberger, UJA national chairman.

Rubber raft from lost Greek ship being studied

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Greek Consul Eli Zinovios on Friday sent to the Marine Ministry in Athens details of the life raft in which the seven-man crew of a Greek freighter were rescued by an Israel navy missile boat a fortnight ago.

The description was requested for the investigation of suspicions that fraud may have been involved in the sinking of the 40-year-old, 500-ton freighter, which was carrying a cargo worth millions of pounds. The investigations were started last week by Interpol, apparently at the instigation of the insurers and owners of the cargo.

Zinovios told *The Jerusalem Post* he had forwarded precise details of the Japanese-made inflatable rubber raft, its serial numbers and date of manufacture. This should enable investigators to establish whether the raft had belonged to the Ayos Nikolaus, or whether the crew was given it by another ship after handing over the cargo. This is one of the possibilities being investigated by Interpol, *The Post* learned.

The survivors, who said they had spent five days at sea on the raft before being rescued by the Israel boat, presented the raft to their rescuers before being repatriated.

The cargo being carried from Cyprus to Egypt and Yemen included millions of British cigarettes, 20 concrete mixers and some 200 tons of general cargo. The value of the cargo was far in excess of the value of the ship itself, and one possibility being investigated is that the men may have handed over the cargo to another ship, and then let their own, virtually worthless ship, sink. The presence of a modern, $3,000 inflatable raft on their old ship was one of the elements that apparently aroused suspicion.

Bukovsky tells AFL-CIO

US business in Russia could harm the people

MIAMI BEACH. — Soviet dissident Vladimir K. Bukovsky, meeting on Friday with U.S. labour leaders, urged the unions to question U.S. corporate investment in the Soviet Union to ensure that profit is not made at the expense of human rights.

Bukovsky said capital investment "calculated on the exploitation of cheap labour" in Russia harms the interest of workers both in the Soviet Union and western countries.

At a meeting of the AFL-CIO executive council, the exiled Russian also praised President Carter's stand on human rights. Bukovsky is scheduled to meet with Carter next week.

AFL-CIO president George Meany told the press later that he was "delighted" with Carter's stand. He promised the strong support of organized labour.

Meany, a hard-line anti-Communist, said there is no reason the U.S. cannot do business with the Soviets without abandoning its values on human freedom.

"The idea that we might improve (the Russian people's) conditions by being nice...is completely ridiculous," Meany said.

"It's like saying that you can improve the conditions of the inmates of a jail by drinking champagne with the jailers."

Bukovsky, a 34-year-old biologist exchanged last year for Chilean communist Louis Corvalan, wrote a book on the political abuse of psychiatry in the Soviet Union. His trip to the U.S. was paid for by the AFL-CIO, which last year sponsored a U.S. visit by author Alexander Solzhenitsyn. Since being released Bukovsky has been touring Western Europe and now the U.S.

But in Western Europe, Carter's support for dissidents in the Soviet Union has found only a feeble echo.

There has been nothing there like the President's letter of encouragement to Andrei Sakharov, the nuclear scientist threatened with prosecution by Soviet authorities.

Joop den Uyl, the Dutch prime minister, did spend three-quarters of an hour with Andrei Amalrik, the exiled Soviet historian. Amalrik was promised a talk with Jans Juergen Wischnewski, a cabinet minister attached to West German chancellor Helmut Schmidt — though not with Schmidt himself.

Defending Schmidt's decision not to see Amalrik personally, spokesman Klaus Boelling told the press that Chancellery minister without portfolio Wischnewski is regarded here as a "perfectly adequate" discussion partner for the exiled Russian.

In Paris, Amalrik was refused an interview with President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, and was picked up by French police when he picketed the Presidential palace. Pierre-Christian Taittinger, the number two man in the French foreign ministry, told reporters that the French government was not taking any lessons from the U.S. government on the subject.

In London there was nothing at all from the government about Soviet dissidents. (AP)

ISIS THIS WEEK
Lotto Draw 09/77
Minimum total prizes fund IL1,800,000
Minimum first prize fund IL580,000
accumulating up to IL1,000,000
TOMORROW is the last day for handing in Lotto entries.

U.S. reveals defects in F15 weapons

WASHINGTON. — U.S. Secretary of Defence Harold Brown said on Thursday there are defects in the air-to-air weapons system used on the F15 interceptor and it will take at least five years to get a better system.

Brown appeared before the Senate Armed Services Committee to defend President Jimmy Carter's military budget, which cuts $2.8b., including $26.3m. for the F15 programme, from the budget submitted by the Ford Administration.

Brown said the F15 itself has turned out to be "a very successful aircraft, particularly in meeting performance requirements for a high quality air-to-air fighter."

But he said the weapons system to go with it had unspecified "deficiencies." He said he would be willing to give the committee details of the problems only in a closed session.

Asked by Senator John Tower if the Air Force had a research and development programme to correct the difficulty, Brown said the system had been "improved but has not met the original performance specifications and will not for five years or so."

The Secretary said after the meeting he meant it would take five years "to get a better system," not to fix the trouble in the existing one.

Brown told the committee the Soviet Union was improving the range and capability of its fighter-bombers and had developed some capabilities which "the F15 might not be able to handle as well as we would like." (AP)

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek poses with the Rev. William Harter, a Protestant clergyman from upstate New York who was a consultant to the First Jerusalem Conference of Christians and Israelis held last week. Some 60 clergymen from abroad participated in the event, which was co-chaired by Hebrew University President Avraham Harman and a U.S. minister, the Rev. Malcolm Boyd. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

x-Solel Boneh irector Rechter ack in business

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NDON. — Zvi Rechter, who
igned as Solel Boneh managing
ector in December, 1975 under a
d of financial scandal, is now
k in international business. It
erges that Clal has sold its 50 per
t in the British Company Inter-
ional Forwarding Services to a
pany headed by Rechter. Clal
also sold its Belgian subsidiary,
eign Trade Service.

he British firm was set up as a
tnership with R. N. Khan, a
distan-born millionaire who is
nous for his stable of race horses.
firm is NMT Warehouses and it
nbined with Clal in promoting
ael goods here.

he immediate result of the take-
er by Rechter's company is the
ignation of IFS managing direc-
Yosef Wolfsthal. He was second-
to this post by Clal, where he held
number of executive posts.
lfsthal is flying home for talks
h Clal chief Aharon Dovrat.

iberias man abbed to death er IL200 debt

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ERIAS. — A 33-year-old father
o, Israel Barda, was stabbed to
h early Friday morning in the
at Shmuel quarter, reportedly
a IL200 debt.

local resident, aged 27, was
sted at the scene by a police
ol who heard the victim's
ams. The man is to be brought
re the magistrate this morning.
e two men, who are known to
had business relations, are said
ave met after midnight and
vitnesses said they quarrelled
at the debt. They parted, each
ing to his own car, when sudden-
e assailant turned around, knife
and, and stabbed Barda several
es, the eyewitnesses said.
arda was pronounced dead on
val at the Poriya Hospital.

Exports go through Ashdod; Haifa men won't punch clock

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Citrus Marketing Board has been forced to re-route most of its exports through Ashdod harbour, due to sanctions by the 17 employees of its Haifa port dispatch office.

The CMB export manager, Ami Tzur, told *The Jerusalem Post* that, while the Board usually ships one half of the weekly total of 2.5 million cases via each of the two ports, the sanctions have forced it to re-route most of the fruit to Ashdod. The latter port is now handling 1.7 million cases a week, with Haifa having to make do with the remainder.

Tzur said the 17 employees were not working regularly in the afternoon shift due to a dispute concerning the installation of a time clock in the office. Agreement on the clock had been reached when their labour contract was signed last November, he said, but its operation had not yet been started. Now, at the height of the season the workers demanded changes in their working arrangements as a condition for punching their work cards. Punching the clock, he added, was already regular practice in all other offices of the Board.

A spokesman for the employees said they were punching their cards regularly, but the management was "interfering" in their working arrangements and their response was to work by the book. As they started work before dawn, they were not obliged to work afternoon shifts as well and were thus doing them on alternate days only.

Insurer: Gov't must pay full value of ruined crops

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.— The head of an agricultural insurance fund on Thursday demanded that the government continue paying all costs when crops are destroyed as a result of natural disasters.

David Gilboa, director of the Insurance Fund for Natural Risks in Agriculture Ltd. (INFRA) made his demand following a government decision to cut subsidies from 60 per cent to 50 per cent of the premiums paid to the fund.

The government has also decided the fund must reinsure itself, so that in the event of a natural disaster it would not be too dependent on public money.

Gilboa said his group was negotiating with citrus farmers to insure them against loss due to frost when the trees are in bloom or when winds knock fruit to the ground. He said INFRA would provide the additional coverage for a higher premium. The farmers want the government to pay the additional costs.

Potato growers in the Ta'anach area, southeast of Afula, are seeking additional insurance to protect them against a recurrence of a disaster that hit their area last November. A heavy downpour during a one-week period deposited 195 mm. of rain over a 3,500-dunam plot of potatoes which had inadequate drainage. The crop was ruined.

The insurance covered the farmers against flooding, but not against inadequate drainage. Gilboa said his fund is willing to provide coverage against insufficient draining, but the cost would be high. Studies by the Meteorological Institute indicate that similar heavy rainfalls occur in eight out of 10 years.

During 1975/76 farmers paid IL111m. to the fund while the government paid IL180m. in subsidies. In the same year the fund paid out IL176m. in compensation and had a reserve of IL106m.

Bribe suspect freed on bail

TEL AVIV. — A senior Housing Ministry official was released on IL5,000 bail on Thursday by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court after he was held by police on suspicion of taking thousands of pounds in bribes from contractors.

Yosef Rosiansky, Negev District engineer of the ministry's rural building and new settlements administration, denies having taken any bribes. (Itim)

A PHOTOGRAPH of U.S. President Jimmy Carter has been added to the gallery of American presidents at the ZOA House in Tel Aviv. The photo was unveiled by U.S. Charge d'Affaires and Mrs. Thomas J. Dunnigan.

Ginzburg could get 10 years for 'anti-Soviet activities'

MOSCOW. — Soviet authorities have charged dissident Alexander Ginzburg with anti-Soviet activities under an article of the penal code carrying a sentence of up to 10 years in a prison camp, a fellow dissident said yesterday.

The charge came to light in an order permitting authorities to search Ginzburg's apartment in Tarusa, outside Moscow, Anatoly Shcharansky said.

Shcharansky, like Ginzburg a founding member of a group formed to monitor Soviet compliance with the Helsinki accords, said the search was carried out on Friday and Friday night.

Ginzburg was arrested on February 3 on unspecified charges. An underground poet, he has managed a fund established by exiled Soviet writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn to aid families of political prisoners in the Soviet Union.

The search warrant cited article 70, part II of the penal code, which provides the most severe penalty for activities against the interests of the state — up to 10 years in a labour camp under the strictest conditions.

Shcharansky also said that Dr. Mikhail Shtern, a Jewish doctor sentenced to eight years in a prison camp after his two sons applied to emigrate to Israel has been placed in a punishment cell.

"This is very dangerous because of his health and age," Shcharansky said. Shtern, who practised in the Ukraine, is 58 and said to suffer from heart and spine disorders.

Shcharansky said Shtern was being disciplined for sending a letter with information about conditions in his prison camp.

The doctor's wife, Ida, who has moved to Kharkov to be near the camp, has begun a hunger strike to protest against the move, Shcharansky said.

Shtern was convicted in 1974 of "swindling" and "drug peddling." (UPI)

Menten to get new lawyer

THE HAGUE. — The wife of Dutch war crimes suspect Pieter Menten said yesterday that her husband had sacked his lawyer for talking to the press, but the lawyer said later he had withdrawn voluntarily because of "irreconcilable differences."

Menten, 78, is being detained in a prison hospital near here on suspicion of ordering killings in Nazi-occupied Poland and the Ukraine in World War II. He has denied the allegations.

The wealthy art collector's wife, Meta, said her husband decided three days ago to replace Utrecht lawyer Bernard Simon for giving interviews to Dutch magazines.

"That I call giving comfort to the enemy," Mrs. Menten told the Dutch news agency, ANP.

Mrs. Menten would not say who would now defend her husband, who is expected to go on trial in May or June. But a lawyer from The Hague, L. van Heyningen, said he had been asked to take Simon's place.

Simon said last night that he had withdrawn of his own choice because of "irreconcilable differences over how to conduct the defence."

He said he had not been told either by Menten or by his wife that he had been replaced.

Simon said last week Menten had not consulted him before sending a letter to the Amsterdam District Court demanding his release on the grounds that he was not a Dutch citizen.

Menten said in his letter that he had renounced his Dutch citizenship in 1937 and had become a Pole.

Officials said yesterday that a judge would visit Menten in hospital at Scheveningen tomorrow to rule on his application. (Reuter)

New USIS library

TEL AVIV. — The new multimedia library of the U.S. Information Service was inaugurated last week.

The collection in the library consists of books, documents, periodicals, films, video and audio cassettes, slides, microfiches and microfilms.

Thomas Dunnigan, U.S. Embassy Charge d'Affaires, said maintaining this library will help to increase the information flow between the two countries, thus increasing understanding.

ALL TEACHERS should be inoculated against influenza at the start of every school year, according to a proposal submitted to the Education Ministry by the director-general of the Health Ministry, Professor Ya'acov Menczel. Menczel said flu is the reason for most schooldays lost by teachers' absenteeism, and that spending their working hours with children they are more prone to the disease than most adults.

Gandhi foe in hospital

NEW DELHI. — Indian opposition leader Jayaprakash Narayan was reported in satisfactory condition after surgery in Bombay yesterday in connection with complications from a kidney ailment.

The 74-year-old Narayan developed a permanent kidney ailment during five months in solitary confinement following Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's declaration of a national emergency on June 26, 1975. His current kidney complication comes as he is helping lead a growing opposition movement to end Mrs. Gandhi's 11-year reign. (AP)

Bumper year forecast for sea tourists

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The cruise ship tourism season will open this week, and the indications are that it will be a bumper one.

The director of the port's passenger terminal, Yitzhak Waisblat, told *The Jerusalem Post* that 175 passenger ships, 124 of them cruise ships and 51 liners, have already been registered for calls this year. He expects an increase in this figure.

Waisblat expects the number of passengers to increase by at least 30 per cent over last year's 154,000. He noted that most of the cruise ships registered are larger, carrying at least 1,000 tourists each. They include, Italian, Greek, British, French, German and Yugoslav vessels.

A number of the ships will also call at Ashdod to provide tourists with closer access to Masada. One ship, which is bringing Jewish tourists from Miami, will stay throughout Pessah, while other ships will stay from one to seven days each.

The port management this week will award the tender for the IL5m. new passenger terminal, which is to be completed next year; meanwhile, a small sum will be spent to recondition the existing terminal.

Deputy succeeds head of Unrwa

UNITED NATIONS. — Sir John Rennie is retiring after six years as commissioner-general of the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (Unrwa). He will be succeeded by his deputy, Thomas McElhiney, the UN announced on Friday.

McElhiney, 57, is a former U.S. foreign service officer. He was born in West Virginia, graduated from Johns Hopkins University in 1941, and also studied at Cornell and Harvard universities. He was appointed ambassador to Ghana in 1968 and became inspector-general of the U.S. foreign service in 1971. (Reuter).

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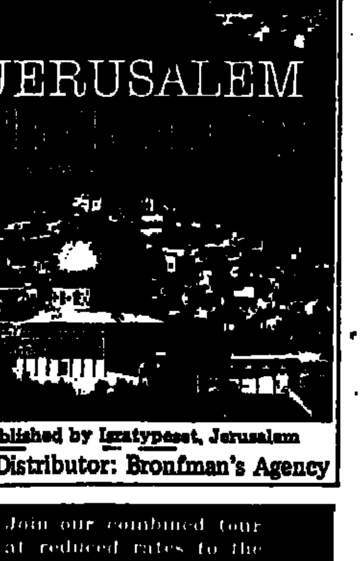

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More clashes in South West Africa, Rhodesia

PRETORIA. — Twelve black nationalist guerrillas were killed and three members of South Africa's security forces were wounded in a clash in the Caprivi Strip, near the Zambia-Angola border, the government said on Friday.

Brig. D. J. Earp, director of operations of the South African Air Force, said guerrillas of the South West African People's Organization (Swapo) attacked a temporary patrol base about 12 kms. from the border on Tuesday.

In the ensuing battle, 12 guerrillas were killed, he said. The three wounded soldiers were reported hospitalized in Pretoria.

The Caprivi Strip, a part of South West Africa, is a long finger-like projection surrounded by Angola to the north, Zambia to the north and east, and Botswana to the south.

The area has been the scene of fighting between Swapo guerrillas, who want to rule in an independent South West Africa, and security forces of South Africa, which presently controls the territory.

Last week, in Zambia, Swapo President Sam Nujoma said his guerrillas had killed 25 South African soldiers in the Caprivi Strip on February 2. A high-ranking South African called the claim "absolutely absurd."

Earp also issued a communique stating that apart from some minor incidents, the border between Angola and Owambo, the northern part of South West Africa, had been relatively quiet. In the past, black nationalist guerrillas have made frequent incursions into the area.

Meanwhile, Rhodesia's guerrilla war has claimed another eight lives in the past 24 hours, an official communique said yesterday.

Among those killed was a white soldier and two black nationalist guerrillas, it said.

This brings guerrilla deaths in the four-year war to 2,553 and Rhodesian forces losses to 227.

Two white farmsteads were attacked by terrorists, one 96 km. north of Salisbury and the other near the eastern border with Mozambique, the communique said. In one of the attacks, an African farm guard was killed, it said.

A black male civilian has also been killed by insurgents, the communique said.

In another development, Rhodesian Bishop Donal Lamont, who last week had nine years shaved off a 10-year sentence for failing to report guerrilla activities, was given a stay of sentence yesterday.

A presidential order issued yesterday confined the 65-year-old bishop to a hospital, where he is being treated for injuries sustained in an auto accident some months ago.

Earlier, Law and Order Minister Hilary Squires had told parliament that if the bishop went to jail, "he might pose as a martyr." Lamont may also be stripped of his citizenship, which observers say may be a move leading to his deportation.

(AP, UPI, Reuter)

Low turnout in Algerian elections

ALGIERS. — Voter turnout fell below expectation on Friday in Algeria's first nationwide legislative elections in 15 years. The turnout ranged from 27 to 75 per cent, with the larger cities producing the lowest response.

With the voters' choice limited to a slate of handpicked official nominees, government spokesmen conceded that they had hoped for a more massive early turnout in response to vigorous calls by the state-run press and radio for an "impressive display of civic responsibility."

The official Algerian News Agency reported that at 3 p.m., five hours before the polls were due to close, 27.52 per cent of registered voters had cast their ballots in Algiers. In Oran, the nation's second largest city, the turnout by 3 p.m. was 32.09 per cent, the report said. In Saharan districts, where voting began on Wednesday, the turnout varied between 75 and 85 per cent.

The seven million registered voters were given a choice among three candidates for each of the 261 assembly seats. As all the 783 candidates were nominated by the ruling National Liberation Front, the results disclosed no political tendencies. The high abstention, however, was seen by observers as a blow to President Houari Boumedienne who took over power 21 years ago after toppling Ahmed Ben Bella. (AP)

OAU blames Morocco for Benin 'invasion'

LOME, Togo. — The ministerial meeting of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) decided on Friday to call an emergency summit meeting of African leaders to discuss last month's abortive invasion of the West African state of Benin.

In Rabat, Morocco announced it was suspending all participation in the OAU in protest over reports circulating at the Lome meeting accusing Morocco and Gabon of involvement in the mercenary invasion.

Benin authorities have said its airport and a number of buildings in Cotonou, its economic capital, were attacked on January 16 by mercenaries who arrived and departed aboard a DC-7 aircraft. Several Benin soldiers and civilians were said to have been killed in the three-hour attack.

OAU ministers on Friday listened to a tape-recorded confession by a man identified by conference sources as a mercenary captured in Benin who said he was a Guinean national. (Reuter)

Photomosaic of Mars' inner satellite, Phobos, as seen on February 18 by Viking Orbiter I from 500 km. away. The section of the ragged moonlet is about 20 km. across. (AP radiophoto)

Ragged Mars moon puzzles astronomers

DENVER, Colorado. — New close-up photographs of Phobos, one of Mars' two mysterious tiny moons, suggest that it and its sister Deimos are captured objects, and not chunks of material which spun off the Red Planet.

Colour studies of the Phobos pictures indicate the little moon is made of a material known as carbonaceous chrondrite, the stuff of asteroids. Phobos and Deimos seem slightly different and may have been captured by Mars' gravity at different times.

The composite of three pictures released by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration shows Phobos to have a thick layer of rubble and to be marked by grooves, cracks and craters.

"We're seeing things that were not expected," Joseph Veverka, assistant professor of astronomy at Cornell University, said on Wednesday when the composite was first shown at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. (AP)

FBI probes Arab students' link to PLO in swindle

SACRAMENTO, California. — The FBI is checking reports that money bilked from U.S. insurance companies in phony accidents, fires and auto thefts is being funnelled to the Palestinian Liberation Organization by Arab students, officials said on Friday.

A strong denial of any connection has been issued in New York by Hasan Abdel Rahman, deputy permanent observer of the PLO at the United Nations.

He said the PLO "completely rejects those allegations which are aimed at slandering the PLO ... and categorically denies any connection whatsoever with such alleged frauds and those who may have committed them."

Two weeks ago, the California Highway Patrol announced that "180 persons of Middle Eastern heritage" were involved in a ring of insurance fraud around the country that has bilked companies out of millions of dollars.

At least two persons have been

But he said there was no evidence that the money, which he estimates in the millions of dollars, has gone to any group such as the PLO.

Richard White, FBI special agent in charge of the Sacramento region, refused comment on the case.

arrested in the case. Lt. Glenn Sewell, heading the investigation for the Highway Patrol, said more arrests were expected this week.

He said reports that money was funnelled to the PLO stemmed from comments made by an insurance company. "We have information that money is leaving the country. The FBI is working on it," Sewell said in an interview.

Meanwhile, in Westport, Connecticut, the Insurance Crime Prevention Institute reports that its agents have been investigating fraudulent claims since 1971 and "recent press reports of a nationwide insurance fraud ring composed of Arab nationals and others appear to be well-founded." (AP)

Austerity as Portugal devalues

LISBON. — Portuguese tightened their belts yesterday after the announcement of a 15 per cent devaluation of the escudo and the most wide-ranging package of economic measures since the 1974 military coup which ended nearly half a century of right-wing dictatorship.

The package also included a price freeze on basic foods, and extension of a 60 per cent surcharge on non-essential imports and an increase in the bank rate from six and a half to eight per cent. (Reuter)

20 California murders linked to fraud reports

LOS ANGELES. — As many as 20 persons may have been murdered in an attempt to cover up fraud in the dispersal of U.S. government funds to California community projects, police said on Thursday.

"There have been a number of murders... as many as 20... that seem to have this as a common thread," said the head of the Los Angeles police investigation squad.

The squad is working with Sacramento police on the execution-style murder of Ellen Anne Delia, whose body was found a week ago about 15 km. from the Sacramento airport.

Mrs. Delia's husband said she had flown to Sacramento to report on alleged fraud and irregularities in the handling of government money grants to community projects. Investigators said she was one of several persons who helped prepare applications for government funds for such projects.

Police said Mrs. Delia's slaying was the second murder in a month linked to East Los Angeles community projects. Robert Lewis, a friend of the Delias and an aide to State Senator Alex Garcia, was found shot to death in Los Angeles last month.

The deaths of Lewis and Mrs. Delia were the only two of the 20 or so possible murders mentioned by the police. Names or details of the other slayings were not given. (AP)

IN BRIEF

Gromyko rumoured ill

MOSCOW. — Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko has not been seen in public for more than five weeks, giving rise to speculation in the diplomatic community that he is ill.

The Paris newspaper "Le Monde," quoting Soviet and Western sources, said Gromyko has been hospitalised following a cardiac incident.

Gromyko, 67, marked his 20th year as Foreign Minister on February 15. He has not been seen in public since January 19, when he greeted Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev on the latter's return from the Russian city of Tula. (AP)

Ethiopian official slain

ADDIS ABABA. — Gunmen burst into the offices of Ethiopia's trade union federation on Friday and shot dead the organization's chief officer, a union statement said.

It was one of the most daring attacks by opponents of the government, who have selected targets from among officials working with Ethiopia's military rulers.

The pro-government All-Ethiopia Trade Union blamed the killing of its chairman, Ato Tewodros Bekele, on "paid reactionary agents." (Reuter)

Cairo has its first daylight payroll stickup

CAIRO. — Three gunmen shot at three officials of a construction firm yesterday and made off with a $325,000 payroll, police sources said.

The mid-day incident, the first of its kind in Egypt, occurred in Shoubra, a densely crowded working-class district in Cairo.

The three construction-firm officials told police they were attacked as their car left a bank. They said the gunmen shot at them from a passing car.

One of the officials was wounded, police sources said. (AP)

Hess cuts his wrists

MUNICH. — Rudolf Hess, Adolf Hitler's deputy, cut his wrists with a knife in an abortive suicide attempt on Tuesday, the 82-year-old Nazi's son said here yesterday. The son, engineer Wolf-Ruediger Hess, said prison guards prevented Hess's suicide attempt "in the last moment."

Rudolf Hess, who was taken prisoner when he parachuted into Britain in an attempt to get London to negotiate with Hitler, is serving a life term in West Berlin's four-power Spandau war-crimes prison. (UPI)

CASINOS. — The Spanish government is to legalise gambling casinos after a ban which has lasted more than 50 years. The decision, taken Friday night, is expected to give a big boost to tourism and to bring in millions of dollars from casinos to be built in Madrid and in the main tourist areas such as the Costa Brava and Torremolinos.

Israel Embassy's London staff may be changed

LONDON. — Almost the entire diplomatic staff at the Israel Embassy here is due to be replaced in the course of the next few months, it was learned here. The departure next month of Ambassador Gideon Rafael will be followed in the course of the year by the replacement of seven of the remaining nine diplomats.

Ephraim Evron, Deputy Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, will replace Rafael in April, and Yoav Biran is to become the new minister in place of Zvi Kedar, who has been appointed Ambassador to Japan. (JTA)

Not the whole truth in repo on U.S. Cabinet wealth

WASHINGTON. — President Jimmy Carter, who has promised to disclose the financial affairs of top U.S. government appointees, made public on Friday net worth statements of 15 cabinet-level office holders that seemed to conceal almost as much as they revealed.

The accountings of the assets and liabilities of the 11 Cabinet members and four cabinet-level advisers omitted precise figures in almost all cases. In their place were letter symbols covering broad ranges of dollar amounts.

For example, a letter "E" meant that an individual reported at least $100,000 of income, assets or stockholdings. Thus there was no way to single out the millionaires in the Cabinet.

White House press secretary Jody Powell defended the code system by saying that "revelations of exact amounts tend to place families in jeopardy," presumably from kidnappers. Powell also contended such codes have been found acceptab some congressional committee bar associations.

Of the 15 jobholders whose fi cial affairs were partially disclo only Andrew Young, the new a bassador to the UN, was dee free of any potential conflict of terest. The other 14 had to tak variety of steps, ranging f divesture of stocks to leasing a for a fixed fee or placing holdin blind trust to meet Carter's publicized ethics guidelines.

Treasury Secretary W. Mi Blumenthal, generally regarde one of the wealthier Cab members, showed siz stockholdings plus interests i and gas drilling ventures. O cabinet-level investors in oil a drilling and real estate ventu often used as tax shelters, inclu Defence Secretary Harold B and Joseph Califano, Secretar Health, Education and Welfare.

Soviet spacemen land safel

MOSCOW. — Two Soviet cosmonauts returned safely to Earth on Friday after 19 days in space during which they carried out photography and scientific observations aboard the Salyut-5 space station, Moscow Radio said.

The announcement said cosmonauts Yuri Glazkov and Viktor Gorbatko were in good condition after a soft landing 35 kilometres northeast of the town of Arkalyk in northern Kazakhstan.

"The planned programme of research on orbital station Salyut-5 has been successfully fulfilled," the radio said. "The results of the scientific investigations received during the work in near-Earth orbit will be used in the interests of the economy, science and technology and a the creation of new equipment."

The touchdown came nearl days after the first announce that the cosmonauts were prep to come back to Earth, a l delay than usual before landin

Official reports said only tha cosmonauts needed "a lot" of t pack up scientific equipment a the Salyut-5 station int automatic mode of operation.

Salyut-5 is continuing to orb Earth.

The landing announcemen dicated the Soyuz- 24 came do dry land with the help of parach the standard Soviet technique landing spacecraft.

Cyprus solution is seen possible

LARNACA, CYPRUS. — U.S. presidential envoy Clark Clifford left Cyprus for London yesterday, reiterating his prediction that the problem of this war-divided island may be settled in 1977.

His visit to Cyprus ended a fact-finding tour that also included Greece and Turkey.

He was sent by U.S. President Carter to weigh chances of a Cyprus settlement and improvement in strained relations between the U.S. and Greece and Turkey. Greco-Turkish differences over Cyprus and the Aegean Sea have neutralize effectiveness of Nato's southeas flank.

"There is an excellent chanc conclude an arrangement of Cyprus problem in 1977," Cli told airport newsmen in a depar statement.

In Ankara, however, Tur Deputy-Premier Necmettin bakan held out less hope for a q settlement. Any concessions Turkey in Cyprus are out of the q tion, he declared on Friday.

WALL STREET WEEK

Concern over inflation

NEW YORK. — Moves in Congress toward increased government spending and an inflation warning from Federal Reserve Chairman Arthur Burns set the tone for a declining, sluggish stock market last week.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks slipped 6.81 to 933.43, wiping out most of the 8.72-point advance it posted in a technical rally the previous week.

Standard and Poor's 500-stock composite index prov dropped 1.04 to 99.48 last week, slipping below the 100 level for the first time since early November of last year.

The New York Stock Exchange's composite index dropped 1.01- to common stocks was down .58 at 54.09.

Big board volume, dwindling steadily in recent weeks, aver 18.33 million shares a day fo slowest pace since last Novemb 12.

Given Wall Street's tradit conservative economic viewpoi was hardly surprising to se responding negatively as propo came up in Congress to add m spending measures to Presi Carter's economic stimu proposals.

Burns addressed the sub directly in an appearance befo joint congressional committee Wednesday. He said the prospe expanded federal budget deficits raised inflation fears and depre confidence among business executives.

Sex, drugs blamed for Ali's failure to get Arab money

CHICAGO. — World heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali failed in several fund-raising tours to the Arab world on behalf of the Black Muslims religious sect because of drunken and sexual debauchery by members of his entourage, according to a complaint filed on Friday in federal court here.

Constantine Knagles, the attorney who filed the suit on behalf of a foreign fund-raising corporation, would not say whether Ali himself acted in the manner described by the suit.

"We're not saying he did, we're not saying he didn't," said Kangles. "We're saying he knew about it."

The complaint asks for $5m. in damages for Garland M. Taylor of Chicago, and his firm, the American Arabian Investment Co.

Named as respondents in the complaint are "the Nation of Islam-Muhammad Temple No. 2 of the Holy Temple of Islam, and Wallace Muhammad as chief or supreme minister and individually."

The Nation of Islam was formerly referred to as the Black Muslims religious sect.

The suit contends that Taylor signed two contracts with the Nation of Islam, which agreed to pay him 10 per cent of all gifts or grants and two per cent of all loans he solicited.

During 1975, Taylor claimed that he obtained promises of $50m. for the Nation of Islam from Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Kuwait.

The suit said Taylor was hired "after a great deal of adverse opinion had been formed against the Nation.

"This arose through the behaviour of the large group of followers" travelling with Ali, the suit said.

"It was reported to the company that this large entourage of Muhammad Ali had engaged in the use of narcotics, the taking of alcoholic liquors and consorting and carousing with women other than their wives," the suit said.

"In the Arab world these acts are to a believer in the Moslem religion, most serious violations of all of the religious teachings and they make a person unworthy to be known as a Moslem or a follower of their faith."

It went on: "Equally important, any such actions constitute serious violations of the laws and criminal statutes of all the various Arab states. The taking and transporting of dope, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, or other such narcotic agents in the Arab world is summarily punished as a criminal offense of the highest priority."

Attorneys for the Nation of Islam or Ali were not available for comment. (AP)

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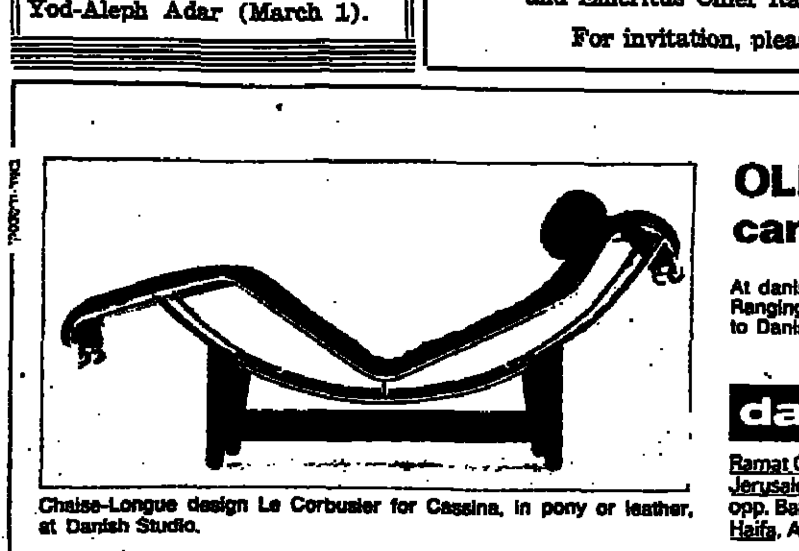

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ttery erves in ebanon

ORDING TO REGIONAL s any clash in northern non where Syrian troops are g enforce a jittery peace would been a cause for grave concern. renewed fighting in southern non between local villagers and tine Liberation Organization forces seemed — rather ally — like a return to normal the Land of the Cedar.

EEK IN REVIEW
Anan Safadi

s, it appears that there was not new in the hostilities which ed over the weekend in south non — 22 months after the out- of the civil war that brought country to the brink of ruin.

e return to square one essential- emmed from inter-Arab reluc- to neutralize the PLO whose chment in Lebanon is resisted cal patriots. Arab strategy, it asserted, had been to curb ntrol the PLO but in no way to h it.

chief Arab powers in the Mid- East — Syria, Egypt and Saudi ia — have been seeking to rve the PLO as a whip to be d in any negotiations with l. Now that the question of al recognition between Israel the PLO has been dramatized, ally after the Middle East visit S. Secretary of State Cyrus e, the PLO, though bloodied and red in Lebanon, is being nted as a focal element in the

ia, Egypt and Saudi Arabia it within their power to force PLO into openly recognizing l, at least on a de facto basis, ut necessarily beating around ush and rekindling tension in ern Lebanon. But these states eluctant to dictate a new stance e PLO until they can press l to change its position — par- rly with regard to an Israeli drawal to the pre-1967 frontiers agreement to establish a stinian state in the West Bank he Gaza strip.

OUTBREAK of renewed ng in southern Lebanon could be attributed to a quest by ascus to exploit the PLO nce in southern Lebanon as a erweight to Israel's insistence e withdrawal of Syrian troops Nabatiya.

penetration of PLO forces, to number 3,500, curiously wed a Syrian takeover of stinian refugee camps in ern Beirut with the declared pt of re-establishing Lebanese authority there. The PLO had he past maintained an omous authority over refugee s in line with a 1969 Cairo ac-

PLO penetration was tered by Christian rein- ments recruited in the bastion nieh, north of Beirut. Reports the Lebanese capital over the end said that Christian leaders assembling these rein- ments for transport to Haifa where they would be ferred to southern Lebanon s the "Good Fence" main- d with Israel.

HE REST of the country, the nese were beginning to pay for 20 months of civil war, destruc- nd anarchy. Some 30,000 Syrian s, aided by several hundred s, Sudanese and Yemenis, are g the country while mounting ion is aggravating the legacy of l gaps between Christians and ems.

oting has indeed stopped, but n peace enforcers have not red internal security. Although of the estimated one million nese refugees have returned and commercial life has been ally restored the confidence of ebanese themselves appears o be uncertain.

e Christian leaders see no end ut partitioning Lebanon into provinces — Christian, m and Druse, with the latter g the PLO.

er Christian leaders, headed by ngist chief, Pierre Jemayyel, less enthusiasm over the pro- They stress that patriotic tians have no quarrel with their em brethren but with the stinians whom they want tributed in the Arab states.

nificantly, the Moslem Prime ter Salim el-Hoss, serving un- hristian President Elias Sarkis, hasizes that Lebanese con- ce will not be restored until the ns have withdrawn totally and ebanese regain control of their fate.

Premier Rabin

Jockeying for U.S. favour

THE VIEW FROM WASHINGTON / Wolf Blitzer

WASHINGTON. — President Jimmy Carter would like nothing better than to have Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin arrive in Washington March 8 with some new Israeli suggestions for reviving Arab-Israeli negotiations.

It would come as a welcome surprise to the new President and his top foreign policy advisers to see Rabin take the diplomatic initiative by bringing along a bold Israeli plan, which Carter could then pass along to Arab leaders during subsequent meetings in April and May.

But the President and his top aides are not all that hopeful that Rabin, who has just emerged victorious from an extremely tight Labour party race against Defense Minister Shimon Peres, actually will bring anything new to Washington. The Rabin Government is perceived by the State Department as weak — shaken internally by the Rabin-Peres split and unprecedented political scandal, and threatened by strong outside challenges from the opposition Likud and Yigal Yadin's Democratic Movement for Change.

The Americans know that everything Rabin says and does here will be scrutinized, very carefully by his opponents. Rabin will be the first Middle East head of Government who will be meeting with the new American President. Many Washington observers argue persuasively that the Israeli Prime Minister has a golden opportunity to make a positive impression on Carter quickly by surprising the State Department experts in forwarding Israeli suggestions for achieving additional diplomatic progress this year.

In one swoop, they argue, such an Israeli initiative could put the ball dramatically in the Arab Court. Instead of only reacting to Arab and U.S. proposals, Israel could do the initiating. The pressure would be on Sadat, Assad, Hussein and company to respond. And Israel's ideas, if positively accepted by Carter, could go a long way toward correcting an image Israel has gained among key State Department analysts that she is too weak to negotiate and is merely stalling.

If Rabin could sell his package to the Americans, the President might then try to sell it to the Arabs. The important element would be that Washington and Jerusalem are in agreement on how to procede — a factor of crucial significance for Israel, which is so dependent on America's goodwill.

NEW IDEAS by Rabin would not necessarily have to include specific details about the nature of an overall settlement or the extent of Israeli "gives." The Americans don't want Rabin to bring maps at this stage — and they don't expect him to have to win cabinet approval for a new set of proposals.

Rabin could score some vital popularity points with the President merely by coming up with a new way to break the current impasse preventing the reconvening of the Geneva conference.

The "procedural" question of PLO participation at Geneva, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance told a senate subcommittee last Thursday, was the major roadblock to returning to Geneva. The Arab states want the PLO there, Israel does not.

The Americans, however, make the point that the "moderate" Arab states have been moving away from their 100 per cent backing of the PLO during recent weeks. A bright spot — perhaps the only bright spot — of Vance's Middle East tour was when Sadat asserted that Jordan and the PLO should form an official link in advance of Geneva. Presumably Sadat and the other Arab leaders would be prepared to see the PLO attend the Geneva conference as part of the Jordanian delegation.

At this point, the Americans say, it is by no means certain that Yasser Arafat and his faction of the PLO would accept such a condition. But if Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia continue their pressure on the PLO — maybe.

Exactly how Rabin and his advisers may want to find a solution to this problem is not known here, although several State Department officials believe that Foreign Minister Yigal Allon's remarks at a Jerusalem press conference with Vance left the door open for Palestinian participation within the Jordanian delegation. Allon was quoted as saying it was up to Jordan to decide who should be included in its official party, and that Israel would regard those participants as Jordanians.

Since no one here believes that real negotiations can get started before the May 17 Israeli elections, most of the diplomacy between now and then will consist of little more than superficial manoeuvring— Arab and Israeli jockeying for America's favour. The new Carter Administration will be listening and learning, gearing up for serious talks later in the year.

President Carter

So far, so so— say the French

LETTER FROM PARIS
Jack Maurice

De Guiringaud

PARIS. — French Foreign Minister Louis de Guiringaud has returned from a six-day tour of Arab capitals convinced that, although steps towards peace could be made in 1977, there will be no Middle East settlement by the end of the year.

De Guiringaud, who visited Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Egypt, it is to come to Israel next Wednesday on the last lap of his Middle East tour.

The head of the Quai d'Orsay had hoped to include Jerusalem in the first round of de Guiringaud's Mideast swing. But the trip was put off when relations between Jerusalem and Paris soured over the French release of Palestinian terrorist leader Abu Daoud. In fact de Guiringaud's trip to Israel seemed to have been cancelled altogether until agreement on a new date was reached with Foreign Minister Yigal Allon when the two men met in Brussels earlier this month on signing the new clauses of Israel's Free trade pact with the Common Market.

De Guiringaud spent more time listening than talking to the Arabs in Beirut, Damascus, Amman and Cairo. But he used the phrase "Palestinian fatherland" over a score of times in order to reaffirm France's support for the creation of a new Palestinian state.

On his return to Paris he was still as prudent as ever in defining its future boundaries. He merely said: "The Palestinians have the right to a country of their own. But it is up to them to decide its location on the territories when these are evacuated by Israel."

The Palestinians were at the centre of de Guiringaud's talks with the Arabs. He has returned home without any illusions about having had any more success than U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance or U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim on their recent tours of the area in coming up with any of the answers in this respect.

The French consider the best way of solving the problem of Palestinian representation at a reconvened Geneva peace conference is to tackle it by two stages: for the original participants to reassemble first without the Palestinians and then to invite them to join in at the conference table.

This solution appears inacceptable to both the Israelis and the Palestinians sitting opposite them in the framework of a Jordanian delegation. The Palestinians themselves want to have full-fledged status from the outset.

De Guiringaud said after his return to Paris: "I have the impression that the Palestinians are ready to establish links with the Arab delegations in Geneva, provided that they are invited."

The French Foreign Minister did not have any demonstrative top-level contacts with the Palestinians during his tour, probably to avoid a recurrence of the upset caused in Israel in 1974 by the handshake in Beirut between his predecessor Jean Sauvagnargues and PLO Chief Yasser Arafat.

De Guiringaud could hardly have endeared himself to the Palestinians by expressing approval in Damascus for Syrian "aid" to Lebanon.

WHILE IN SYRIA, the French Minister got the full measure of the difference between Arab and Israel views on what sort of frontiers are considered as safe. President Hafez Assad impressed on his visitor that secure borders are not those which are geographically defendable but those which are internationally recognised. But Assad steered clear of going into details.

De Guiringaud found the Egyptians the most impatient of his hosts to get the Geneva peace talks going. Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmi urged France to take a seat at the conference. The French Minister's reply was that his country would be glad to do so if formally invited. But, of course, it is not up to Egypt alone to extend the invitation.

De Guiringaud reported to President Valery Giscard d'Estaing and the French cabinet that everybody he met on his tour wanted to settle the Arab-Israel conflict as soon as possible and hoped France and the European Common Market would do their best to help.

He said in a radio broadcast here: "France may not have the same means as the U.S. to bring pressure to bear on both sides involved. France, however, can make a contribution thanks to its well-established and fairly balanced attitude towards the problem."

Perhaps not all observers in Israel or, for that matter France, would share this optimistic assessment. De Guiringaud himself remains modest about the fruits of his Mideast tour. He says: "I hope there will be movement towards peace in 1977. But I doubt that a peace agreement can be reached this year. It is going to take long months of patient and delicate diplomatic effort to put an end to a war that has lasted a quarter of a century."

"Why do you insist on following me everywhere."
A cartoon from Kuwait's "al-Anba."

BETWEEN THE LINES / Hirsh Goodman
'Yes' to registration, 'no' to obligation

THE AVERAGE annual income for the average Arab in 1975 was $358. The overall income of the combined Arab states was $51.02 billion. Thus, concludes Syria's "Tishrin" daily, the time has come for an economic union between "the haves and have nots" in the Arab world and for a more egalitarian sharing of income between "brothers."

The paper claims that nowhere in the world is there a collection of diverse, but yet similar countries more ready for unification. Only four out of 21 Arab states have seen fit to become members of the Arab Common Marked, — a phenomenon the paper termed "lamentable."

There are some positive signs however, the paper added: "Trade between Arab states increased from $95m. in 1965 to $299m. in 1974, but concluded that this hardly represents any real growth at all, due to the inflation rate.

At least, the paper concludes, the problem of economic integration is being dealt with. Some 20 special teams have been set up recently to find a speedy solution.

AND WE are happy to note that the U.N. is satisfied with the efforts of at least some of the nations in this niche of the world. Much ado was made on official Libyan radio this past week about a telegram received by Gaddafi from U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim who was reportedly full of praise for the "tactful and forceful manner" in which Libya helped to resolve the problem of Moslem rebellion in the southern Phillipines — peacefully.

NOTING THAT LIBYA and Burundi were about to set up a joint commission for agriculture, an Egyptian commentator wryly noted last week that perhaps the two countries should also set up a "commission for justice." In both these states, he said, one still can lose a hand for petty theft.

THE OFFICIAL Syrian delegation to the New Delhi Cinema Art Festival returned to Damascus last week. "Al-Thawra" daily informs us that the festival was a tremendous success. Over 50 countries participated, and 64 movies fom 42 countries were screened. The artistic level was very high, according to the paper. Syria's contribution: Ibrahim Almi's work of art... "The Massacre at Kfar Kassem."

NOW A WORD of consolation to all those who lost sleep about the fact that Iraq's decision to join Interpol could possibly be interpreted as *de facto* recognition of Israel. The Iraqi daily "Al-Waki'e al-Iraqia" says that despite the fact that the laws of the organization require that all members of the organization recognize each other and maintain relations with one another, in the case of Iraq this was not the case. Why? Because the Iraqi Government decided that as far as it was concerned, this was rejected. The paper explained to its confused readers that while the Iraqi Government accepts its obligations in the Organization, it simply does not accept all its regulations.

ONE OF THE biggest non-political problems facing Beirut at this time, writes the daily "al-Safir," is that of water.

Should anything go wrong with the supply system to the town, the maximum reserve on hand is enough for less than six hours. The daily allotment per person in the city is 150 litres only as opposed to over 500 litres per day in the U.S. and most other countries.

An immediate investment of at least $150 million is needed if the city is to be saved from "grave crisis as the population grows and old equipment goes collapsing," the paper concluded.

BEHIND THE NEWS / Sasson Jacoby
Destination: Khartoum

COULD THE Presidents of Egypt and Syria, Anwar Sadat and Hafez Assad, be setting off to Khartoum today merely to discuss Sudan's participation in the joint political command formed by Cairo and Damascus last December? The Sudan has been in recent years too busy with internal problems to bother much about ritual alliances with other Arab states.

Five years ago President Jaafar Numeiry reached agreement with the largely pagan rebels to put an end to the rebellion which tore Sudan apart for 17 years. March 3 is the fifth anniversary of the provision of a form of autonomy in southern Sudan, and it is also the deadline for the completion of a programme of reconstruction which Khartoum promised the south.

In the intervening period, Numeiry made herculean efforts to develop his desperately poor country, and by rejecting the Soviets also made headway in his relations with the U.S.

Numeiry's major achievement in the South has been to resettle over a million refugees who returned from exile and from hiding in the bush. His main task now is to exploit the region's agricultural potential which is believed favourable for growing tea, coffee, tobacco, rice and sugar cane.

THE ARAB states have an ambitious plan to turn Sudan into a food-producing region by using a combination of petrodollars and Western technology. Now that Sudan has diverged from close ties with Moscow, Saudi Arabia has promised to join Kuwait and the oil-rich Arab states in investing some $5b. in the plan.

The plan appears much more attractive to these oil-rich states than putting countless funds into the bottomless pit of Egypt lacking the prospect of any tangible returns. Sudan has only 17 million inhabitants in a huge region (2,505,805 sq.km) with empty tillable land watered by the Blue and White Nile rivers. The UN Food and Agricultural Organization has given encouraging reports about its agricultural potential.

There is another impelling reason for the 47-year-old Numeiry — in power since 1969 — to edge closer to Egypt and Syria, the acknowledged political leaders of the Arab world. Eight months after the bloody coup sponsored by Libyan President Mu'ammer Gaddafi, Numeiry is again nervous and suspicious. Khartoum reports say that Gaddafi, with Soviet backing, and the connivance of the neighbouring leftist-inclined Ethiopian junta, is plotting once more with the Ansars, the puritan rebels of the fanatic Sudanese Mahdi sect.

FURTHERMORE, the Ethiopians have just let it be known that they were seeking to reactivate the rebellion in southern Sudan where many Africans are opposed to Khartoum's Arab rule. The Ethiopians served their notice in retaliation for Numeiry's pledge to support the secessionist Eritrean Liberation Front in northern Ethiopia.

Sudan has recently withdrawn its ambassador from Addis Ababa, after Numeiry accused Ethiopia of training "hostile troops" including some 20,000 south Sudanese who chose to stay in Ethiopia after the 1972 peace was signed. Numeiry said these also include Ansars and he delivered a counter-warning that he could put into the field against Ethiopia thousands of Eritreans who had fled from the northern Ethiopian province.

Renewed involvement with Arab big power politics will provide Numeiry with some assurance of being able to face the new danger from the south boldly. It can also give him the necessary backing to cope with any incipient unrest in his own south. Egypt and Syria, in turn, can gain another friend in their camp to stiffen their front against obstreperous Libya and Iraq.

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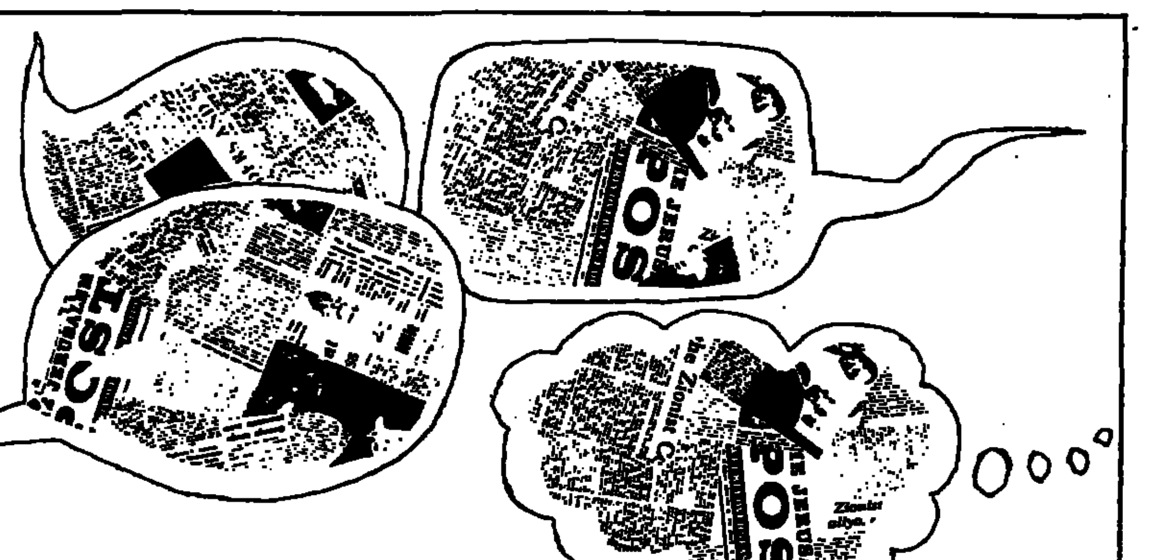

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MOTTI SHMITT, VIOLIN AND SHOSHANA RUDIAKOW, PIANO (Tel-Aviv Museum, Feb. 22). Messiaen: Theme and Variations; Schubert: Sonata No. 2 in A minor; Mozart: Variations, K. 360; Brahms: Sonata No. 3 in A Major; Szymanowski: "La Fontaine d'Arthuse"; Paganini: "Moses" Variations.

SINCE we last heard Motti Shmitt a year ago, he seems to have broadened his musical outlook considerably. His latest recital was, undoubtedly, an achievement, but it also showed the limits of his art.

Shmitt attacks the music with audacity *and there can be no* question about the naturalness and sincerity of his approach. He plays with confidence, enthusiasm and vigour.

With the exception of the two Paganini items, the "Moses" *variations, which are* unworthy of inclusion in a serious concert and were badly played and the added Capriccio, which was also rather questionable, all the other items showed sound and reliable violin playing.

But Shmitt's performances are not discriminating and the intensity of *his playing does* not reveal much of what lies beyond the basic intentions of the composer. Messiaen Theme and Variations was slightly too aggressive and in any case did not illustrate the peculiarity of its harmonic and melodic idiom. *Schubert's sonata offered little* besides the plain text. Brahms' seemed to be rushing on impulsively rather than having its romantic moments treated lovingly.

Mozart's Variations and Szymanowski's impressionistic "La Fontaine" emerged as the most attractive pieces of the evening. The suave simplicity with which Shmitt treated the melodies of the Variations, was more telling than all the weightiness of Brahms. In all the pieces the piano parts stood out in their excellence. In Mozart and Szymanowski they contributed equally to the common achievement, in all the other works often occupying, musically, a leading place.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

Delicious Greek feast

THE ISRAEL CHAMBER ENSEMBLE, subscription concert No. 4, Zoltan Presco, conducting, *Gilah Yaron,* soprano (Tel Aviv, Beit Hahayal, Feb. 21). Mahler: "Blumine" — Symphonic Movement; Dallapicola: "Greche Liriche"; Bartok: Music for Strings, Percussion and Celesta.

THE UNFAMILIAR programme may have deterred many of the *Ensemble's subscribers, but those* who stayed away missed at least *one* most unusual experience: the Dallapicola songs.

Delicately sensual and at the same time highly intellectual, "Greche Liriche" (with texts by Sappho, Alcaeus and Anacreon) do not appeal to everybody's taste, but for the connoisseur they make a delicious feast. Dallapicola uses the cerebral 12 tone-technique but in fact his songs are impressionistic, sparsely sketched colour plates, which evoke delicate imageries of the Eastern Mediterranean, its colours and its shapes. Conductor Presco and singer Yaron completely identified themselves with this music. Tempi, dynamics and expressiveness were all beautifully composed and balanced. Instrumental colours perfectly blended with the voice, which had just the right weight and subtle variety of mood and expression.

The other two items were much less pleasurable. Mahler's "Blumine" is an incredibly banal and set sentimental piece and Bartok's Music for Strings, Percussion and Celesta was regrettably misinterpreted. Presco gave us a *fairly* well done *slow* movement but the first and third movements were utterly understated. An almost steady piano, reaching only occasionally a meagre mezzo-forte and hesitant and often inaccurate rhythmical textures, robbed the music of its strength, vigour and energy.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

Rumor acquital angers Italian socialists

ROME. — *Angry Italian Socialists* yesterday occupied the party's Rome headquarters in protest against the decision of Socialist leaders to vote against putting former premier Mariano Rumor on *trial in the Lockheed* bribes scandal.

Dozens of protesters declared a permanent assembly in a conference room and said they had received messages of support from all over the country.

Parliament will vote next week on an investigating committee's recommendation that two former defence ministers be tried on charges of accepting bribes from the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation.

The *same* committee, *however,* recommended that no action be taken against Rumor. But the powerful Italian Communist Party said last Thursday *that it would vote for* proceedings against the former *Christian Democrat* leader *as* well.

The two former ministers recommended for trial are Christian Democrat Luigi Gui and Social Democrat Mario Tanassi — for allegedly taking more than $100,000 to facilitate sale of Lockheed Hercules aircraft to the government.

The recommendation of no action against Rumor was made only thanks to the committee chairman's casting vote. (Reuter)

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:
17.30 Telepele
18.00 Ritchratch

ARABIC-LANGUAGE programmes:
18.30 News roundup
18.32 The Flying Carpet: A visit to Norway
19.00 Documentary — Survival: The Great Invasion
19.30 News and weekly magazine

HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at 20.00 with Youth Magazine
20.30 All in the Family: Birth of the Baby
21.00 Mabat newsreel
21.30 Second Look: Programme of *news background and analysis*
22.00 Entertainment with French singer Sylvie Vartan
23.00 The Brothers: Part nineteen of the series by Eric Paice and N.J. Crisp tracing the *family history of the* London transport firm of Hammond
23.45 News

JORDAN TV *(unofficial)*: 18.10 Momfie. 18.30 Six Million-Dollar-Man. 19.30 News in Hebrew. 20.00 News in Arabic. 20.30 The Muppets 21.00 Sports magazine. 21.10 Best-Sellers. 22.00 News in English 22.15 The Rockford Files

CINEMAS

Tel Aviv 4.30, 7.15, 9.30
Allenby: Marathon Man; **Ben Yehuda:** Mr. Klein; **Cinema One:** Spanish Fly; **Cinema Two:** Buffalo Bill and the Indians; **Chen:** The Human Factor 4, 7, 9; **Dekel:** Silent Movie 7.15, 9.30; **Drive In:** A Day at the Races 5.45, 7.30; The Outlaw Josey Wales 9.30; **Mograbi:** A Movie and Breakfast; **Gordon:** The Lost Honour of Katharina Blum; **Hod:** Lipstick; **Limor:** Le Faro da Padre; **Maxim:** The Black Banana. **Ophir:** The Carpetbaggers 6.15, 9. **Orly:** The Thief who Came and Fell in Love. **Paris:** Polynesian Odyssey 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.30. **Peer:** 21 Hours at Munich; **Gat:** To be or not to be; **Esther:** I Will, I Will... For Now; **Ramat Aviv:** Venial Sin 7.15, 9.30, sun. no perf.; **Royal:** My Way 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **Tel Aviv:** Future World; **Tchelet:** La tete de Normande St. Onge; **Zafon:** Cousin Cousine; **Studio:** The Front.

Herzliya
David: Victory March 7, 9.15, sun. 4.30; **Tiferet:** A Small Town in Texas 7.15, 9.15

Petah Tikva
Shalom: *Just a Woman 7.15, 9.30* except Wed.

Netanya
Esther: Buffalo Bill and the Indians 5, 7, 9.15.

Haifa Cinemas 4, 6.45, 9
Amphitheatre: The Poseidon Adventure; **Armon:** Gator; **Atzmon:** A Movie and Breakfast; **Chen:** Super Express 109; **Miron:** Sex Vengeance; **Moriah:** The Odessa File; **Orion:** Whose Child am I? six non-stop perfs. **Orah:** Aces High; **Orly:** Cousin Cousine 6.45, 9; **Peer:** Marathon Man; **Ron:** Giant 4, 8; **Shavit:** Barry Lyndon.

Ramat Gan 7.15, 9.30
Armon: The Land that Time Forgot; **Hadar:** A Movie and Breakfast; **Ordea:** Lipstick; **Oasis:** The Battle of Midway 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **Lili:** The Little Girl who Lives Down the Lane; **Ramat Gan:** Dr. Zhivago; **Rama:** Il Vizio de Samiglia.

Jerusalem 4, 7, 9
Arnon: The Black Banana; **Eden:** The Human Factor; **Jerusalem:** Murder by Death 7, 9; **Habirah:** Gun Moll; **Orna:** Breaking Point; **Edison:** Letter of an Unknown Woman; ***Mitchell:*** *Marathon Man 6.45, 9.15;* **Orgil:** On aura tout vu 7, 9; **Orion:** I Will, I Will... For Now; **Ron:** The Sailor who Fell from Grace with the Sea; **Semadar:** Beautiful People 7, 9.15.

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ON THE AIR

First Programme

7.07 Morning concert — Renaissance Music; Mozart: Fantasy in F Minor, K.608; Beethoven: Horn Sonata in F Major, Op.17; Schubert: Quartettsatz; Weber: Oberon Overture; Beethoven: Triple Concerto in C Major (Claudio Arrau, Henry Szeryng, Janos Starker); Grieg: Violin Sonata No. 2 in G Minor, Op. 13 (Sidney Harth, Leo Marcus); Liszt: Mephisto Waltz; Rimsky-Korsakov: Symphony No. 3, Op. 32 (Gauk)
10.05 Programme announcements
10.40 Notes on a new book
11.15 Arabic for beginners
12.05 (Stereo): Frank Pelleg — Bach: Goldberg Variations; Busoni: Sonatina No. 2
13.05 Rossini: *Thieving Magpie* Overture; Verdi: Aria from Macbeth; Glazounov: Spring; Dvorak: Slavonic Dances, Op.72; Delius: In a Summer Garden; Joh. Strauss Son: Voices of Spring
15.01 Middle East Crossroads — political commentary
15.55 Notes on a new book
16.05 Music Quiz
16.45 (Stereo): Hassler: Motet; Handel: The Messiah, part one (Mackerras)
18.05 (Stereo): The First Romantic — Profile of composer Carl Maria Von Weber: Der Freischutz
20.45 Yehuda Wohl: Discussions (Frank Pelleg, Ronit-Rikfis); *Hanan* Schlesinger: Symphony No.4 (Mendi Rodan)
21.30 Reflections on the portion of the week with Prof. Yeshayahu Leibowitz
21.50 A lesson in Halacha with Rabbi Haim Pardes
22.05 (Stereo): Israel Chamber Ensemble with Luciano Berio conducting — Ghedini: Musica da Concerto (Gad Levertoff); Purcell: Excerpts from Fairy Queen; Monteverdi: Combattimento di Tancredi e Clorinda; Weill: Songs (Cathy Berberian)
23.58 Programme announcements
24.05 Aharon Geva talks about abandoned children

Second Programme

12.30 Israeli songs
13.30 Songs
15.30 Soccer — Israel vs Korea at the Ramat Gan Stadium
17.30 Hebrew songs
18.05 Folk songs
18.43 Sports commentary
19.00 People and events in the news
19.47 Bible Reading: Ezekiel 3, 4
20.05 Golden Watch Club — Weekly magazine on old age and retirement
21.05 Jazz corner — Special Purim programme with Ella Fitzgerald, Carmen McRae, Sammy Davis Jr., Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman and Louis Armstrong
21.55 On Jews and Judaism
22.05 Dr. Yitzhak Ben Gaz, Zvi Elpeleg and Shmuel Segev examine the development of the Palestinian movement

Army Radio

7.07 On drivers and traffic: reports from police positions, features on transportation, quizzes, information on tours of the country
12.05 Special requests
13.05 *"For Women Only" — Edna* Peer presents readings about women by Cocteau, Yitzhak Shalev, Yona Wallach and Shaul Tchernichovsky
14.05 Sports magazine
15.30 Songs for everyone
16.55 David Kochav's economic corner
18.05 *Personal File — Pinhas Idan* interviews Segen Zain, a Druse company commander at an officers' school
18.35 Needle in a record stack — new record acquisitions
18.57 Programme announcements
19.53 Dr. Tom Levy talks about truth in advertising
20.05 Songs and comedy skits
20.55 "Headline" — international news with Yosef Lapid
21.05 "The Good Old Days" — A look at the events of the year 1920, in Israel
22.05 An hour of light music with Gideon Lev-Ari
00.05 Night birds — songs, chat with Ram Evron

EASY HEBREW BROADCASTS
15 minutes of news and features twice daily. First Programme — 11.35 a.m. and 7 p.m.

REGULAR DAILY BROADCASTS
First Programme
10.15-10.35; 11.15-11.35 Programmes for Schools.
13.55 Music programme announcements.
14.10 Stories for children.
15.05 A moment for Hebrew grammar.
17.55 Notes on agriculture
00.10 Informal discussion
Second Programme
6.00 Prayer and Mishna reading.
6.10 Gymnastics
6.55 Programme announcements
6.59 A moment for Hebrew grammar.
7.53 Driving tips
8.10 Popular tunes (until 10.00)
10.05 Here at Home — songs, interviews on topics assumed to be of interest to women
12.05 Productive Pace — for workers and employers
12.30 Hebrew songs
18.45 Today's sports
01.05 A moment of poetry.
Army Radio
5.03 Popular music (until 5.55)
5.58 Prayer
6.58 Gymnastics.
7.05 Songs and messages from soldiers (until 10.00)
10.05 Popular music (until 12.00)
3.05 Insomnia.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE SELECTIONS
English
7.00 (Fourth, Fifth) 15 minutes, including review of Hebrew press
14.00 (Fourth, Fifth) 30 min.
18.00 (Fourth) 5 min.
20.00 (Fourth) 15 min.
22.00 (Fifth) 30 min.
00.30 (Fifth) 30 min.
French
7.15 (Fourth, Fifth) 15 min., including review of Hebrew press
14.30 (Fourth, Fifth) 30 min.
18.05 (Fourth) 5 min.
20.15 (Fourth) 15 min.
22.30 (Fifth) 25 min.
24.00 (Fifth) 30 min.
Yiddish 19.30 (First) 30 min.
Hungarian 19.15 *(Fifth) 15 min.* Saturdays (First) 30 min.
Rumanian 20.30 (First) 15 min.
Russian 15.45 (First) 15 min. Sun-Fri.
Georgian 19.15 (First, Fifth) 15 min.
Ladino 20.00 (First, Fifth) 15 min.
Mugrabi 20.15 (First, Fifth) 15 min.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

TRAINS

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to *Nahariya: *8.00, 12.00, 13.00, *15.00.*

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to Jerusalem: 7.32, 14.46.
to Beersheba & Dimona: 7.00, 9.13, 18.15.

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to Jerusalem: 7.06, 15.44.
to Tel Aviv: 5.33, 6.30, *7.30, 8.44, 9.48, 11.31, 12.50, 14.08, *15.10, 16.21, 17.08, 18.11, 20.19.
to Nahariya: 6.20, *9.03, 13.15, 14.26, 16.03.
to Beersheba and Dimona: 7.06, 15.44.

FROM NAHARIYA:
to Haifa and Tel Aviv: 5.43, 7.56, *10.55, 14.29, 16.05, 17.24.
to Jerusalem, Beersheba & Dimona: 5.43.

FROM BEERSHEBA
to Tel Aviv & Jerusalem & Haifa: 7.22, 16.12.

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1610 SAS 851 Copenhagen
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1735 Cyprair 302 Larnaca
1745 El Al 016 New York, London
1805 Swissair 332 Zurich
1515 Olympic 301 Athens
1835 TWA 810 Boston, Paris, Rome
1905 El Al 386 Rome
1920 British Air 484 London
1925 El Al 358 Frankfurt.
1935 El Al 324 Paris
2000 El Al 316 London
2005 Air France 186 Paris
2100 El Al 542 Athens

Departures
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MUSEUMS

Israel Museum Exhibitions: Bianca Eshel-Gerahuni, — Jewellery; Hans Hoffman, The American Years, ink drawings and gouaches; Christo — Wrapped Coast, Little Bay, Australia, 1969; Jewellery 1900-76; Dan Reisinger, 1967-76: At the Rockefeller: Roman Mosaic Pavement from Nablus, 3rd-4th Century C.E. Special exhibits: Mosaic floor with a Mihrab, 8th cent. C.E.; Jewellery from a Roman tomb, Jerusalem, late 2nd/early 3rd Cent. C.E.

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MUSEUMS
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CERAMIC FIGURES by students of the Castelli Art School, Italy, Ceramics Museum.

2) Museum of Antiquities of Tel Aviv-Yafo, 10 Rehov Mifratz Shlomo.
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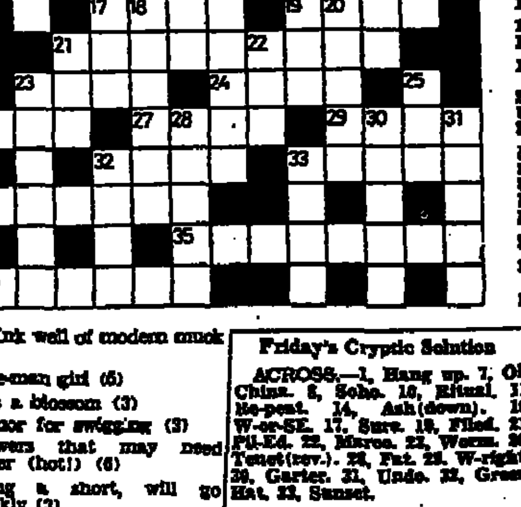
TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWOR

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS
4 Elusive red dog, possibly (6)
7 As in a fight against time (3, 5)
8 After all, it requires outlay! (6)
10 A woman's belief (5)
12 Horse writer? (4)
14 Punish the good? (4)
15 Rail job? (4)
16 A hissing animal? (3)
17 Arrest Splice! (4)
19 Inclination to cheat at bagatelle? (4)
21 Perfect female, in a fashion (5, 4)
23 Though friendly, fight a lot (4)
24 Cheese lovers (4)
26 Finish the laundry (3)
27 Not a "second front" Russian (4)
29 "15 Across" confuses him (4)
32 Little old lady (4)
33 Play-time! (5)
34 He may be hailed (6)
35 Fielder with cause to limp? (5, 3)
36 Cheats in order to be good! (6)

DOWN
1 Difficult and inflexible (5)
2 He returned on the nine-fifty (5)
3 Go very slowly with a broken chin (4)
4 Thomas used some heady language (5)
5 Dawn's counterpart (4)
6 Join with twisted tinsel (6)
9 Sour winner taking some stick (6)
11 Tune that's good and right (3)
12 A singer's passport (5)
13 Is he less than a mountaineer? (7)
15 Take a rest from being honest? (3)
16 One receives £50, no more (3)
18 Think well of modern muck (6)
20 One-man girl (5)
21 She's a blossom (3)
22 Liquor for swigging (3)
23 Flowers that may need water (hot!) (6)
25 Being a short, will go quickly (3)
28 Parnell's noted composition? (5)
30 She corrects my lie (5)
31 House containing a wild dog (5)
32 Vehicles, American, out of "gas"! (4)
33 Go on the stage (4)



EASY PUZZL

ACROSS
4 Ecclesiastical district (6)
7 Pressman (8)
8 Sloping, as type (6)
10 Small fish (5)
12 Rain hard (4)
14 Visionary (4)
15 Role (4)
16 Payment (3)
17 Jazz singing (4)
19 Painting medium (4)
21 Incautious (9)
23 Require (4)
24 Sagacious (4)
26 Embargo (3)
27 Eleven (4)
29 Song (4)
32 Snug (4)
33 Vigilant (5)
34 Sings softly (6)
35 Breed of dog (8)
36 Bird (6)

DO
1 Alloy
2 Extra
3 Worr
4 Earlie
5 Bellow
6 Polishe
9 Teach
11 Domes anima
12 Crime
13 Track
15 Friend
16 Go by
18 Three
20 Perfec
21 Devot
22 Goal
23 Ampl anima
25 Among
28 Writte (5)
30 Souve
31 Make (5)
32 Matti (4)
33 Abs

Friday's Cryptic Solution

ACROSS.—1, Hang up. 7, Old China. 8, Soho. 10, Ritual. 11, Re-pent. 14, Ash(down). 16, W-or-SE. 17, Sure. 18, Filed. 21, Fil-Ed. 22, Macro. 23, Worm. 26, Tenet(rev.). 28, Fat. 29, W-right. 30, Garter. 31, Undo. 32, Green Hat. 33, Sunset.

DOWN.—1, Harris. 2, Grease. 3, Pool. 4, Screwed. 5, Liver. 6, Paste. 8, Star. 9, Hah. 12, Fed. 13, Aster. 15, Fil-Ch. 18, U.S-her. 19, Fir. 20, Le-O. 21, Pat-Hans. 22, Meg. 23, War-den. 24, (b)Otto(m). 25, Mar-mot(rev.). 26, Twiggs. 27, Nines. 28, Fan. 30, Guls.

Friday's Easy So

ACROSS.—1, Relief.
ieum. 8, Bale. 10, Ge
Biceps. 14, Red. 16, T
Doze. 19, Robot. 21, D
Gaped. 23, Lady. 24, Se
Box. 29, Arenas. 30, Go
Awed. 32, Cockerel. 33, A

DOWN.—1, Ragged. 2,
3, Fled. 4, Monitor. 5, L
Amass. 8, Burn. 9, Led. 1
13, Plaid. 16, Rover. 18,
19, Rip. 20, Bed. 21, D
22, Gnu. 23, Lovers. 24, A
Yonder. 26, Gaudy. 27, R
Bow. 30, Gala.

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLE, TOMORROW

هكذا من الأجل

Four key players on the South Korean National soccer team, which meets the Israeli team in a world cup qualifying match today at the Ramat Gan Stadium. From left: Striker Hua Young Moo, striker Chai Meum Keun, goalkeeper Kim Kwang Ho, and Striker Park Young Cho. (Suesskind)

World Cup match at Ramat Gan today

Israel faces Korean veterans

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel plays South Korea in the first match of Asian group 2 of the World Cup at Ramat Gan this afternoon. The game starts at 3.30 p.m.

National team coach David Schweitzer yesterday decided to drop left back Moshe Leon, who has a fractured hand. Eli Leventhal will play in his stead in the back four. Otherwise, Schweitzer said, the team is ready for the four World Cup qualifying games Israel will play in the coming month against South Korea and Japan. North Korea has withdrawn from the competition.

Schweitzer said his players are familiar with the South Koreans' style of play, having beaten South Korea in Seoul 3:1 a year ago and drawn 0:0 in the return game in Ramat Gan. But South Korea ousted Israel from the World Cup four years ago, winning a crucial qualifying game in Seoul by 1:0

"It is important for Israel to win today's game to get off to a morale boosting start this time," Schweitzer said.

The head of the visiting South Korean delegation, O Wan Kon, said yesterday, after five days of acclimatisation for his team here, that Korea anticipated scoring a narrow win in Ramat Gan, "but the crunch will come in Seoul next month."

The Koreans will play with four strikers — Cha, Kim, Park and Huh. The team has had an intensive preparation for these World Cup qualifying matches, soccer being the foremost sport in South Korea. The Koreans will field an experienced team, making no experiments with new caps, manager Choi Jung Min said.

Manager Choi and his assistants have made a thorough study of the Israel opposition, knowing every player by name and the style of game he plays.

The Israel team looks particularly strong in midfield, with Uri Malmillian, Moshe Schweitzer, Mordechai Spiegler and captain Yitzhak Shum. All four will probably be ordered to come through to assist the attack, which will be spearheaded by Vicky Peretz and Gideon Damti. Leon will be missed for his foraging upfield runs on the left wing.

Controlling the game will be a trio from Scotland, referee Brian McGinly and linesmen Bob Kennedy and David Syme.

The teams, with the numbers on the players' backs in brackets:
South Korea: Kim Hwang-Ho, goalkeeper, Kim Ho Kon (3) capt., Choi (12), Whang (5), Cho (8), Kim Sung-Nam (18), Park Sing-In (19), Cha (11), Kim Jin-Kook (14), Park Young-Joo (16), Huh (15). **Israel:** Sorinov, Leventhal, Bar, Avi Cohen, Nimni, Shum, Malmillian, Schweitzer, Spiegler, Peretz, Damti.

Gripping end to basketball season

By STEVE KAPLAN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

th the basketball season already e months old none of the interest s gone out of the League. State p, and European Cup competitions. If anything, the remaining nth and a half promise to provide re excitement than any season in ent memory.

The all-consuming interest nerated by Tel Aviv Maccabi's n over Moscow's CSKA has still t abated, and local fans are aiting hopefully for Thursday's devised game from Varese, Italy en Maccabi meet defending European Cup champions, Mobil Girgi, to e if their heroes can pull off other upset. Maccabi face a difcult task, but this season they pear to be masters at surprising pposedly stronger teams.

The Italians recently lost a heart-robbing 78-75 decision to Maes Pils Belgium, but are still the vourites to take the cup. They beat SKA in Italy four weeks ago and re victors in Tel Aviv over Mac- bi, and of all the teams in the final and they have the highest potenl.

Under the basket they have a trio Europe's finest big men. At centre Dino Menninghin, 2.06 metres and member of the European selection uad for the past five years. At the rward spots are two Americans, th dangerous offensive players. Bob Morse, 2.02 metres, has consistently been one of the best players in European Cup play and has averaged more than 30 points per game in the tough Italian league. His running mate at forward is Randy Meister, 2.04 metres, an outstanding rebounder and shooter as well as a strong defensive player. The standout in the backcourt is Jellini, a member of Italy's top-notch Olympic team.

Maccabi will have to be at their best to come away with the much needed victory. To have a realistic chance of reaching the final they must win two of their three remaining games. Their opponents at the beginning of March are Maes Pils in Tel Aviv and then Real Madrid in Spain. A loss in Thursday night's game would make their game in Madrid, already a tough one, that much more difficult.

As if their worries in the European Cup are not enough, Maccabi are still fighting in the National Basketball League to retain their crown, and they have a very hard semifinal State Cup game waiting for them. Their cup opponents are league leaders Ramat Gan Hapoel, who have not lost a league game since the beginning of November.

The two teams meet in a league showdown on March 20 and the Yad Eliahu sports palace should be filled to see the battle for the championship.

On April 11 the top four teams in the league will square off in the semi-finals of the State Cup. In the Na'aman sports arena Tel Aviv Hapoel and Gvat/Yagur Hapoel, last year's finalists, will play for one berth in the finals. The other berth will go to the winner of the Tel Aviv Maccabi-Ramat Gan Hapoel game at Yad Eliahu. The finals will be played in Tel Aviv on April 25.

This week's league action has Tel Aviv Hapoel hosting Gvat/Yagur Hapoel tomorrow night. Tel Aviv have had a run of bad luck, suffering two one-point losses in the past week. They would like nothing better than to beat Gvat and jump to third position in the League.

In other matches tomorrow night Ramat Gan Maccabi meet Afula Hapoel in a matchup of teams who have both been playing improved basketball recently; and Haifa Maccabi play last place Jerusalem Hapoel in the capital.

Tonight Ramat Gan Hapoel are at home against Tel Aviv Elitzur, the last team to beat them in the League, and second-place Tel Aviv Maccabi have an away game against Givat Brenner/Na'an Hapoel at Kibbutz Givat Brenner.

Israelis all but sweep Bridge Festival

By GEORGE LEVINREW
Post Bridge Reporter

Israel bridge continues to maintain its internationally high standards. This was demonstrated at the 11th International Bridge Festival which ended in Tel Aviv last Wednesday.

Against high-level international competition, Israelis won all but the one-session individual tournament. Moreover, a powerful new pair, Suissa-Millioner, has emerged as a new hopeful for the Israel international team. Not only did this pair win the four-session open pairs event, but it also led the team which won the special Masters' Team game with a magnificent 80 per cent score.

Ninety visitors came from abroad, representing Austria, England, France, Germany, Iran, Scotland, South Africa, Switzerland and the U.S. International stars included Leon Tintner and Leon Yallouze — France, Martin Hoffman — England, Louis and Leslie Shenkin — Scotland, Baron Edmond Von Dewitz — Germany, and Samuel Stayman — the U.S.

The 250 Israelis in the festival played in all 827 tables of bridge.

The Open Pairs Tournament, sponsored for the first time by Philip Morris International, attracted a larger number of visitors than usual.

The only visitor to win a contest was Alan Dankman of the U.S. A 25-year-old bridge junior and a graduate chemist, he is considering settling in Israel. Dankman has played in only one other individual tournament — in Sacramento, California — which he also won.

Mr. and Mrs. Saul Sharer of England, who were the only visitors to place high in the open pairs, are also soon coming on aliya.

Directing the efficiently run festival was Israel Erdenbaum, of Tel Aviv, assisted by Athol Finkelstein, of Netanya. The administration of the festival was handled by Basi Sandler, of Netanya, Israeli sports captain Zvi Ben-Tovim, of Haifa, and a large staff of assistants. Harry Brodie, of Herzliya, edited the informative Festival Bulletin.

Scoring was done manually each night and was completed by 7 a.m.

Mrs. Samuel Stayman, of Florida, who manages an annual $20,000 bridge benefit for Israel in the U.S., announced that she plans to bring a bridge tour group to next year's festival.

The internationally known bridge expert and writer, Alfred Sheinwold, also announced at the closing banquet that he plans to bring a tour group from Los Angeles next year.

The Winners:
Individuals: 1. Dankman — U.S.; 2. Tahori — Haifa.
Mixed Pairs: 1. Lerner-Shaufel — Tel Aviv; 2. As-Friedman.
Teams of Four: 1. Stampf-Schwartz, Hochzeit-Levit — Tel Aviv; 2. Moses-Liberant, Licht, Hosea, Hosea, Hosea — Netanya.
Open Pairs: 1. Suissa-Millioner — Netanya; 2. Aziel-Meshulam — Savyon.
Masters' Teams: 1. Suissa-Millioner, Dukacz-Josman, Kapusta-Duchovny — Netanya, and Tel Aviv.

Israel squad receives bye for Galea Cup

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's tennis juniors have at last firmly established themselves in the "big league" of the world game by receiving a bye into one of the four semi-final rounds of the prestigious Galea Cup for the second consecutive year.

The draw, just made in Paris for this summer's 22nd annual cup competition, puts Israel in a tough group with host-nation Italy, Argentina and the winner of a second-round qualifying section, which includes Morocco. The semi-final takes place at Monte Cantini, near Pisa, in July, with the Israelis starting with a tie against Italy.

In addition to Morocco, Algeria and Egypt are among the nearly 40 countries from five continents taking part in the competition for boys of 20 and under — known as the "Junior Davis Cup." Morocco meets Turkey in a preliminary tie to qualify for a second-round group of four nations playing in Belgium, the winner of which goes to the Monte Catini meet.

Israel gained its new status last year on the basis of qualifying for the semi-final round of the Galea Cup in 1975, when it made its bow in the event with 3-2 victories over Switzerland and Belgium. Last summer it defeated Poland 4-1 and then went down 2-3 to the highly-rated British team — but only after losing a needle rubber in which it had match points for a time.

The squad for Italy is expected to consist of Shlomo Glickstein, Ilan Sherr and Shai Puni, who likewise prepresented Israel in its 1976 Galea Cup challenge. Glickstein and Sherr were also in the cup team the previous year, along with Yair Wertheirmer, now aged 21 and the country's top-ranking man.

Israel's impressive Galea record of four victories in six matches played so far contrasts sharply with a poor showing in the Davis Cup, where it has managed to win only six of its 30 ties to date and is regarded as one of the minnows of the world-wide competition.

Some future Galea Cup players may well have been among the 50 boys who participated in the 12-and-under National Junior Tennis Championships, which ended yesterday at Ramat Hasharon's Israel Tennis Centre, after producing numerous high-quality singles matches.

Haifa Carmel's Shalom Kasif gained the title, with a 7-5, 5-7, 6-3 victory over Menashe Tsur of Kiryat Ono, in a scintillating final lasting nearly three hours. In Friday's semi-finals, Tsur was taken to 3-6, 7-5, 6-2 by Neve Avivim's Doron Hartal, while Kasif scored a 6-3, 6-2 victory over Danny Endveld of Beit Lavron, Ashdod.

In the small girls' singles tournament, which was contested only by local players, Yael Millin beat Smardar Yatim 6-2, 6-0 in the final. Highlight of the event was Millin's 2-6, 7-5, 6-3 victory over Sarit Shalev in a semi-final of more than two hours. Yatim reached the last round with a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Anne Silverman.

The championships were the second in the ambitious year-long programme of junior tournaments for different age groups, inaugurated this month by the Tennis Centre antd the Israel Lawn Tennis Association.

Their joint youth training scheme should be given a further boost with the arrival here tomorrow of South African Jackie Saul, to take up the long-vacant post of national coach to the ILTA.

UPSY-DAISY — Tel Aviv Betar goalkeeper Avi Lieberman engages in some acrobatics to stop a Jerusalem Betar shot on his goal in a friendly match between the two sides, played in the Capital yesterday. The Tel Avivians won the match 2-0. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

T.A. University flattered y big win over Baram XV

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

BBUTZ YIZRE'EL. — Tel Aviv iversity defeated Baram 30-8 in a tional League match here yester- y, but the result by no means did tice to a fine performance by the bbutz XV.

n fact, until the last 10 minutes of game, the score stood at 8-all, d, with a bit more luck, Baram uld have been well ahead at that ge. But their scrum-half Shalom di — one of no fewer than a dozen bras in the side — missed two nalty kicks and a conversion tempt from in front of the post in e first half.

After tries for Tel Aviv by flank ron Drori and centre Zvi Paz, two six sabras in the university's line- , Baram came back strongly and re rewarded with two tries of their m. These were scored by Terry uart at flank and Dadi.

The kibbutz team, led with pan- he by eighth man Ezer Rosen- um, had by far the better of the ex- anges in the opening 20 minutes of e second half, but were unable to penetrate the university's solid defence.

Then two fine tries by Tel Aviv's ever-reliable skipper Dave Kaplan, playing at centre, and one each by scrum-half Rael Issacowitz and winger Zvika Segal clinched the issue. Three of these were converted by Kaplan, to bring his personal tally for the match to 14 points and complete a score-line which certainly flattered the winners.

Others to catch the eye during a hard-fought contest were fly-half Lawrence Wolpert and flank Eliza Rubin, both of Tel Aviv, and Baram's centre Jan Mirwa, who hails from Holland. The game was well refereed by Norman Cox.

MEMORIAL EXHIBITION of rmann Struck engravings, to rk the 100th anniversary of his th, opened at the Arbel interior ign shop at 8 Rehov Shmaryahu vin, Haifa, last night. Municipal ncil members and University esident E. Rafaeli attended.

Beit Shemesh leads South by five points

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Beit Shemesh Hapoel with a 5:2 win over Rosh Ha'ayin Hapoel yesterday surged into a five-point lead in the southern section of the Third Division (League A).

Second place Marmorek Hapoel lost for the second week running, going down 1:0 to third place Yavne Maccabi.

In the northern section of the same division, Tirat Hacarmel extended its lead to four points with a 2:1 home win over Afikim Hapoel as second place Kiryat Shmona Hapoel were held to a 0:0 home draw by Herzliya Maccabi.

THIRD DIVISION RESULTS

SOUTH			
Ness Ziona	1	Or Yehuda Hap.	0
B. Shemesh Hap.	5	R. Ha'ayin Hap.	2
Bat Yam Hap.	1	B. Ya'acov Hap.	1
Ramle Betar	0	Ramle Hapoel	0
Hashikma Mac.	1	Ashdod Betar	1
Ashkelon Hap.	3	Dimona Hap.	2
Yavne Maccabi	1	Marmorek Hap.	0
NORTH			
T. Hacarmel Hap	2	Afikim Hap.	1
Herzliya Hap.	3	Tel Hanan Hap.	0
Nahliel Hapoel	0	Beit Shean Hap.	1
Ra'anana Hapoel	2	Nazareth Hapoel	0
U. Nazareth Hap.	2	Nahariya Hap.	1
Safad Hapoel	1	M. Yehuda Hap.	1
K. Shmona Hap.	0	Herzliya Mac.	0
FRIENDLY GAMES			
Petah Tikva Hap.	1	Tel Aviv Mac.	3
Jerusalem Betar	0	Tel Aviv Betar	2
Yehud Hapoel	0	Kfar Sava Hap.	0
Beersheba Hap.	0	Holon Hap.	2
Ramat Gan Hap.	2	Tel Aviv Hap.	1
Bnei Yehuda	2	Hakoah	1
Haifa Maccabi	2	Hadera Hapoel	2
Jerusalem Hap.	2	Netanya Hap.	2
Netanya Mac.	2	Acre Hapoel	1

Stableford golf

Jerusalem Post Reporter

CAESAREA. — The Haifa trio of Giddy Golan, Vernon Jad and Rubin Chaikin, with Mendel Simmonds of Zahala won the Alliance Stableford golf event here yesterday with 86 points.

Returning the same number of points but with an inferior back nine holes were Mati Geri, Ellie Kirschner, Jules Cuburnek and Walter Rosenthal.

The Better Ball event on Friday was won by Ze'ev Abraham and Mel Treiwis, both of Herzliya, with 44 points, one point better than Alec Davidson and Aubrey Kaplan.

Aussies ahead of NewZealand

WELLINGTON. — Australia has a lead of 52 runs with three wickets standing in the first innings after the second day's play yesterday in the second cricket test against New Zealand in Auckland.

Strong batting from skipper Greg Chappell and Rick McCosker put Australia in a healthy position until after tea, when the New Zealand bowlers claimed five wickets in the two hours until close of play. Then, the over before the tea interval, a streaker raced across the field. The streaker, watched by a crowd of more than 20,000, ran on to the field in the direction of Australian captain Greg Chappell.

Chappell grabbed the streaker and gave him a number of hard hits to the rump with his bat before the naked man scrambled away. It was all good fun for the crowd but when play resumed, Chappell, his concentration disturbed, was run out on the first ball. (AP)

Three top high-jumpers boycott meet

NEW YORK. — Dwight Stones, Tom Woods and Bill Jankunis, three of America's top high jumpers, boycotted the National AAU track and field championships on Friday night at Madison Square Garden here.

The controversial Stones, the world's indoor and outdoor record holder; Woods, the 1975 Pan American Games champion; and Jankunis, winner of the Olympic trials last year, withdrew from the high jump after Mel Embree and Ed Kern were not permitted to compete.

Embree and Kern, both of the newly-formed Atlantic coast club of Cambridge, Massachusetts, were refused permission to jump because they had not entered in time. The AAU games committee rejected their late bids at a special meeting Thursday night and turned them down again shortly before the event Friday night.

Earlier on Friday, it appeared there would be a mass boycott of the event. Woods said there was a 9-2 vote to withdraw if Embree and Kern could not compete.

But when it came time to jump it was announced that only five of the nine entries would withdraw. A short time later the figure was reduced to three — Stones, Woods and Jankunis.

The three forfeited their expense-account money, which Woods said amounted to $500. (AP)

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Labour still shaky

NOW THAT the excitement of last week's Labour Party vote on the party leadership has begun to settle, it is becoming apparent that little has changed. The contending forces, which have divided the party on major issues and personalities since its formation as a merger of disparate groups close to nine years ago, continue unabated, albeit along somewhat different lines.

This is not an atypical situation for large ruling parties in the modern democratic world. In fact a condition of internal dissension within an uneasy framework of unity typified Labour's precursor, Mapai, for most of its existence. The dominance of the factors working for unity over those militating towards fragmentation were often ensured by strong leaders at the centre. Ben-Gurion provided such leadership for Mapai between 1944 and 1961; Golda Meir fulfilled a similar function between 1969 and 1973.

The Labour Party's current state of affairs, highlighted anew by the close to 50:50 vote on Wednesday night, stems from the failure of the attempt by Mrs. Meir and the late Pinhas Sapir to pass on this mantle of unifying leadership conclusively to Mr. Rabin. One result of the vote will be perpetuation for the remaining months of this government's incumbency of one of its major ills: contention within the Cabinet. It is this which has undermined consolidation of the Prime Minister's centralizing authority.

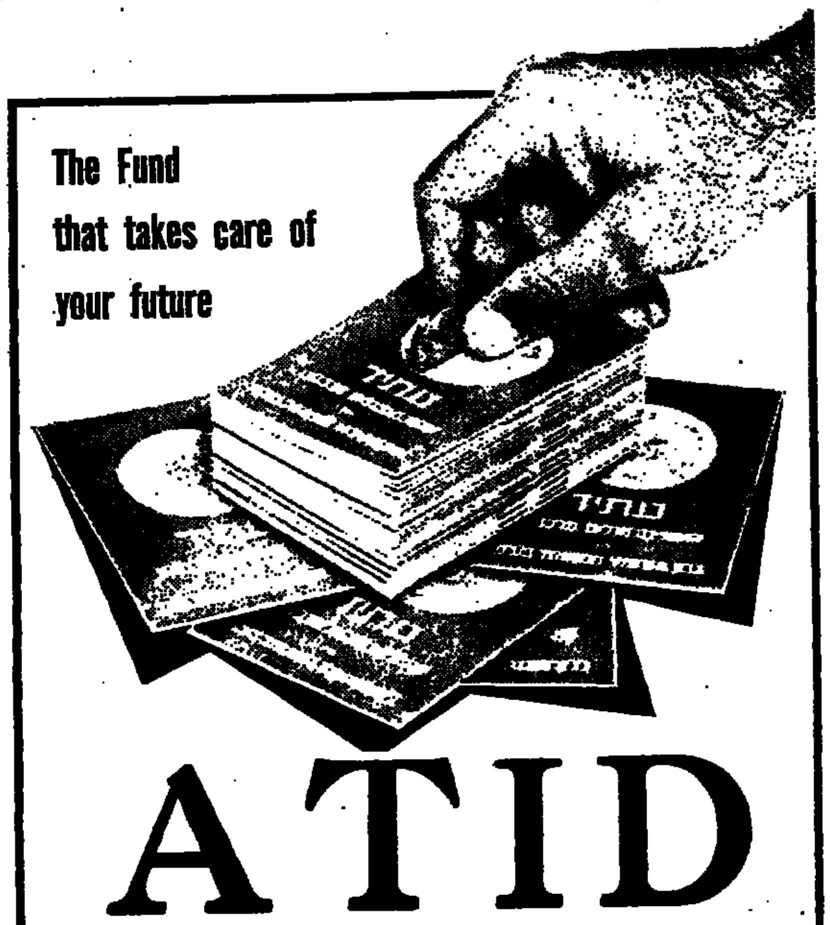
And yet, there are no signs of any incipient split in the party following Wednesday's vote. Mr. Rabin's slim majority will be expanded today in the larger framework of the Labour Alignment by the expected decision of Mapam to remain in the Alignment. Moreover, the very proximity of the general elections can be expected to promote the normal locking of arms in the interest of a common Labour victory.

Besides the major challenge of the elections, Labour will now be faced with two other internal challenges. Following its post-election night low, the Peres "organization" has by now recovered sufficiently to decide not to disband. The close margin of the vote has encouraged its leaders to stick together to ensure their power in the newly constituted Central Committee which will choose the party's Knesset list. A major test of Mr. Rabin's leadership will thus be the way he handles the demand of the Peres camp for a 50 per cent representation in the "safe" part of the party's Knesset list. How this challenge will be handled will determine, to no small extent, the morale and effectiveness of the party as it enters into the decisive final stage of the election campaign.

The second challenge will come after the elections. Judging by the admittedly far from exact early public opinion polls it would seem that Labour will be confronted by a choice of forming a coalition with the Democratic Movement for Change, the Likud, or both. What differentiates these two groups from Labour's traditional coalition partners — the N.R.P. and the Independent Liberals — is their claim to the central role of forming a government as an alternative to Labour.

It is very likely that such potential coalition partners will demand one or two of the major portfolios — Defence, Foreign Affairs and Finance — whose possession have always served as the cornerstones of the Labour Party's power and may even seek to determine Labour's choice for Prime Minister as a matter of coalition bargaining.

The strains which will be brought to bear on the unity of the Alignment and of the Labour Party itself in such an eventuality give rise to the unsettling suspicion that the May 17 elections will not of themselves bring an end to a long period of political uncertainty.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Party financing: a time to stop and to confess

The practice of financing party operations with moneys drawn from economic enterprises affiliated with the parties is of long standing. The quandary that this poses can only be resolved if the practice is stopped and the offenders confess fully, writes POST Economic Editor MEIR MERHAV.

PARTY FINANCING has led to a witches' sabbath with Asher Yadlin cast as Beelzebub. None of our political leaders in the Labour Party and in the Opposition, apparently, knew how the parties have been financed. None of them had anything to do with money.

We have heard MK Yigal Horowitz displaying a veritably Olympian anger, only to be rebutted by MK Israel Kargman with the now convenient argument that the allegations of a convicted criminal cannot be trusted. The Knesset was in an uproar, members were nearly at each other's throats — but all, accusers and accused, self-appointed saints and unwilling devils, were united in wanting the public to believe that they knew nothing and had heard nothing. Most also said nothing.

Small voices were heard, here and there, which hinted that what most of us *now* regard as ranging from the irregular to the immoral and even criminal, was once the accepted norm. Even MK Aryeh (Lyova) Eliav, in his radio interview last Saturday, did not come out with a lion's roar.

Although he rightly branded the pleas of ignorance as hypocritical, he himself toned down past practices of party financing to such an extent that his voice got lost among the squeaks of those who scurried into the dark corners of ignorance when the light came on. Mr. Eliav, too, appeared to be giving his listeners a retouched picture of the past.

Mr. Eliav's presentation of party financing as merely the solicitation of more or less voluntary donations, undertaken by the most outstanding leaders "as a sacred mission," in fact makes him a participant in the universal pretence.

The pretence of the misleaders lies in the retroactive application of a set of only relatively recently established mores. The condemnation of Asher Yadlin by those who, in their hearts, still adhere to the old moral code, is on a different level from what many people now expect in the conduct of public and even private business. The former are indignant mainly at the breach of trust involved in *individual* pocket-lining — but, conscious of the change in prevalent codes of behaviour, they dare not say so openly.

This insincere retroactive moralism which we now see brandished is in fact an insult to the political maturity and the intelligence of the public. It may also have resulted in the pillorying of people who acted as they did in the honest belief that there was nothing shameful in what they were doing. For two generations these people believed that whatever was for the greater good of the party was also for the greater good of the nation or of their cause. Understandably, but also pusillanimously, they join the chorus of those who profess ignorance because they feel that if they were to come out frankly and fully with the facts they would be betrayed by their peers.

THOSE WHO TODAY deny all knowledge of or involvement in party financing, together with those who raise their voices in false indignation, as if only Asher Yadlin had opened their eyes, apparently wish the public to believe that *they* believed that the various party machines were oiled with faith, not money.

We are to believe that Moslems voted for the NRP to uphold the sanctity of the Sabbath and kashrut in our army camps. We are to believe that the supporters of the Labour Party in the Triangle did so out of pure faith in the traditions of A.D. Gordon and Berl Katznelson. We are to believe that new immigrants who could not yet answer a "shalom" in intelligible Hebrew, voted for this or that party without palms being greased, without friends being bought and influence being won.

At best, we are to believe that party financing involved only "cultural" activities, such as the organization of meetings, the printing of literature, and various other matters which naturally cost money, but did not require improper financing beyond voluntary contributions, and did not need to be hidden from public scrutiny.

It would be edifying for those who profess innocence and ignorance to re-read *Bederekh lo Slulah*, memoirs of Hillel Dan, former head of Solel Boneh. It is all in there: the complete identification of party, Histadrut, economic enterprise and, later, the State.

He relates how, way back in 1934, when asking for the late Abba Hushi's support for the building of the electric power-station in Haifa by what was to become the new Solel Boneh, in competition with the Local Workers' Council of Haifa, Abba Hushi told him: "You understand, we have expenses."

And Hillel Dan continues: "I knew that the Contractors' Office (of the Labour Council) contributes to the Workers' Council's secretariat. I had already for some time acquiesced in the idea that the economic instruments of the Histadrut had to assume the burden of supporting the existence of the organizational instruments. I therefore replied to Abba Hushi: 'That is all right, we shall speak to Sobol (the treasurer of the Council).'"

We have picked but one out of dozens of quotable passages in the book. We may read how Solel Boneh, for the greater good of the pioneering effort, stole supplies and materials from the British Army in World War II; how currency was smuggled abroad; how bribes were given; how rings were established among contractors, including Solel Boneh, bidding for works in order to subvert tenders.

We read about the falsification of books — not only to defraud the Mandatory government of income tax (an act that was, and would still be, considered supremely moral) but also to "present as modest as possible a picture of *our assets...and of the state of our business*... We did not want to make ourselves ostentatious, neither towards the inside nor towards the outside world..."

After the establishment of the State of Israel, there was a secret accord, which lasted for four years, with the nascent income tax administration, that Solel Boneh would pay a percentage of its turnover, not of its profits. We read how the income tax inspectors pressured Solel Boneh to doctor the books so that it would appear that they paid like everyone else, out of profits. Finally, we read of a programme submitted in 1952 by Hillel Dan to Ben-Gurion, and approved by the government (but not implemented), which amounted in fact to a complete merging of Solel Boneh with nearly all the economic works and services of the government. The only absolute "don't" applied to individual gain. Only clean hands could, and did, do dirty work.

BUREAUCRACIES outlast the individuals of which they are composed. Norms of conduct and traditional attitudes linger on, sometimes long after the circumstances which shaped them have changed. Hillel Dan's Solel Boneh was broken up by Pinhas Lavon, but the fragments have each become greater and more powerful than the previous whole.

And the time when the Histadrut, the party, and the state all merged imperceptibly into each other is still within the memory of many who are a generation or two younger than Hillel Dan would have been were he still alive. Some of his younger collaborators are still active. Can one be surprised that new norms of public and private conduct should not yet have percolated into some of these institutions and economic fortresses? Is it credible that the heads of these organizations, including those no longer in the Labour Party, knew nothing?

The protestations of ignorance and non-involvement are therefore as insincere as they would be unnecessary were we concerned only with the past. It would be too much to have us believe that modes of behaviour which became ingrained for two generations changed and disappeared suddenly, just because the Knesset passed a toothless party financing law which became effective in 1973. That law still leaves much scope for many of the practices that prevailed before, for it does not prevent parties from receiving donations from abroad, does not prevent them from running economic enterprises, and does no permit full financial control.

When leaders proclaim they di not know anything about party finances, or knew only in a genera way, they implicitly admit to at le a feeling of guilt, even if not to gu itself (not with respect to the dista past, but with regard to the more re cent past and possibly the prese At the very least, they mislead

The denials of knowledge and co plicity, as well as the resoundin silence of the heads of the in stitutions and enterprises to whi all eyes turn naturally, raise t question: if these leaders did n know — who knew? Who are the pe ple who can give an answer? A they grey-faced little men in sweat crumpled summer suits with op collars, scurrying around banks a offices, greasy briefcases clasp under their armpits, with names are generally unknown and no ficial function?

If the leaders did not know by wh means their political backing w engineered, if they were so naive to permit themselves to become as they would now have us believe unwitting accessories before a after the fact of deeds which t themselves consider too shady stand full exposure, then the so conclusion must be drawn that t are too naive to be fit for public fice.

AN ANCIENT Hebrew saying ha that "He who confesses *and* des shall be pardoned." M adherence, as of now, to an in quate law passed by the Kne mere desistance from past practi is inadequate. Confession — that full and frank disclosure of the fa of all assets, all financial links enterprises and institutions, w the country and abroad, a full counting of the inherently legitim cost of maintaining a democ party system — is required to vince the public that we have fi broken with the norms of condu the past.

It may well be that the m courage needed to confess frank what we *now* regard as immor beyond the capacity of Isra political leaders, whatever their ty. Such a frank statement from least one person in high office, however, the only way to raise democratic system above t morass of petty criminal ca which have repercussions that m destroy more than individ reputations or the electoral chan of this or that party.

Asher Yadlin's personal fall i distasteful incident. But whate his individual guilt, he should not used as a convenient scapegoat the absolution from guilt of an ent system — a system of which he w the tragic product.

READERS' LETTERS

UNIONS WRECKING THE ECONOMY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I have spent 20 years of my working life — and I mean working — in the USA, most of it as a dues-paying member of the AFL-CIO. Nobody has to paint me pictures about what it means to be a card-punching stiff.

After making this perfectly clear, I must say that, in my honest opinion, it is an unmitigated disgrace what the labour unions are doing in this and with this poor country. It is an unmitigated disgrace not only because labour unions were not organized for the purpose they are used here for, but because it is a disgrace to do everything possible to wreck a country's economy which is permanently and constantly on the dole since the very day it was founded.

I've no doubt whatsoever that this indiscriminate use of strikes, work sanctions, go-slows, working to rule, etc., are just a part of the syndrome of the disease which is the curse of this unfortunate country: the utter and complete disregard and consideration for the other person which is manifested in every aspect of life in Israel, from the people we're killing daily on our roads to the pushing, shoving and elbowing in lines and the ripping off of everybody by everybody wherever and whenever there is the slightest chance.

We call this democracy when what we have here is anarchy.

ERWIN FUCHS

Ramat Efal.

EXPERTS NEEDED BUT NOT HEEDED

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I want to second Sir Marcus Sieff's remarks as reported in your issue of January 24. I too have been frustrated by the high-handed, nonsensical attitude of many of the executives of several companies I have tried to "help" as a marketing expert and management consultant. It could not be that they did not respect my expertise, which they thoroughly checked, and it could not be a left-handed objection to a fee, for there was none.

These executives are young, smart, but void of proper profit-making motives; they distrust the outsider, ending up in a crude effort to outsmart the game; they move at a speed that puts the slow pace of a snail to shame, and make the gross error of overlaying on "foreign" (United States) marketing conditions the poor knowledge they have even of their own market — especially if, for years, they have lived on Israel Government contracts.

Sir Marcus Sieff's lessons should be taken to heart by all, or almost all, of Israel's industry; perhaps a start should be made by inviting professionals from everywhere to conduct seminar workshops on sales and marketing, and production and manufacturing.

MACK RAPP,
Vice President,
Management Counselors Corporation

Port Washington, N.Y.

OFFICIAL LIST OF TAXI FARES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was astonished to read the letter of Hans Joachim Baum in your issue of January 18.

I am not a regular traveller to Haifa, however, on December 19, 1976, I found it necessary to engage a taxi from Ben-Gurion Airport to Haifa. We had missed a connection with the Arkia flight from Tel Aviv, so we asked their representative what the taxi fare would be, and he supplied me with a folder listing the official fares from Ben-Gurion Airport to many major points in Israel. If memory serves me correctly, the approved fare to Haifa was IL292, which we rounded off to IL300; no problem; certainly no racket!

If I were a regular traveller, I certainly would have retained this folder for future trips.

DR. JOSEPH A. WISEMAN, Ph.D.

New Rochelle, N.Y.

SMOKING AT WORK

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It was good to read in your paper that your photographer had spotted some meat being transported in a non-hygienic way and I was very pleased to learn that the meat was not for human consumption.

But why not send the same photographer to supermarkets and other shops in the country to take some pictures of employees smoking during work and throwing cigarette ash on meat, fish and even on salads in open dishes? When this is pointed out to the manager, he merely orders that the food be cleaned with a dirty cloth and then it is still sold as "fit for human consumption." Your photographers could also take pictures in restaurants and cafes where food and drinks are served by waiters with a cigarette in their mouth.

J.B. SIMON

Haifa

TAXI RACKET

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I refer to your letter from the Ministry of Transport regarding the "Taxi racket" (February 6). As members of the public who have received notification that we are expected to testify in court, I should like to know why this is considered necessary?

The letter states: "If it is established, after investigation, that the taxi driver is indeed guilty of overcharging, he is brought to trial...." In our case, my husband is a teacher of matriculation classes. He will have to take unpaid time off work which his students cannot afford academically and he cannot afford financially. I too will lose time and therefore money. All this for a case that has already been proved by an investigation and involves, in our case, a matter of a maximum of IL50. To the money we shall have to lose due to not working can be added the cost of return journeys to wherever the case will be heard — a total of IL200 at least.

Perhaps it is hoped merely to discourage the public from appealing against being overcharged.

RELUCTANT WITNESS
(Name and address supplied)

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POSTSCRIPTS

WE ARE NOT SURE that we would vote for the Women's Party anyway. We were brought up in a feminist tradition that women should not be relegated to a "scheduled caste," like the Untouchables of India are.

But in any case we find ourselves disagreeing with some of the Party's publicity.

Not that we object on principle to the appeal to street-walkers, after all they belong to the world's oldest profession. But why class them with students and soldiers? Why not put them in one of the other categories mentioned in the advertisement — volunteers and Knesset members, for instance?

And what about call-girls? To omit reference to them smacks of class-distinction.

F.D.

THE NEW British Ambassador, Mr. John Mason, should feel at home here very quickly. We gather that he has the kind of sense of humour likely to appeal to Israelis.

Visiting Bar Ilan University recently, he told the students about some of his initial experiences here. At a Tu Bishvat tree-planting ceremony, he said, he had had to make a speech.

"A woman came up to me afterwards and said: 'What a pity you're an ambassador. You would have made a wonderful rabbi'."

S.L.

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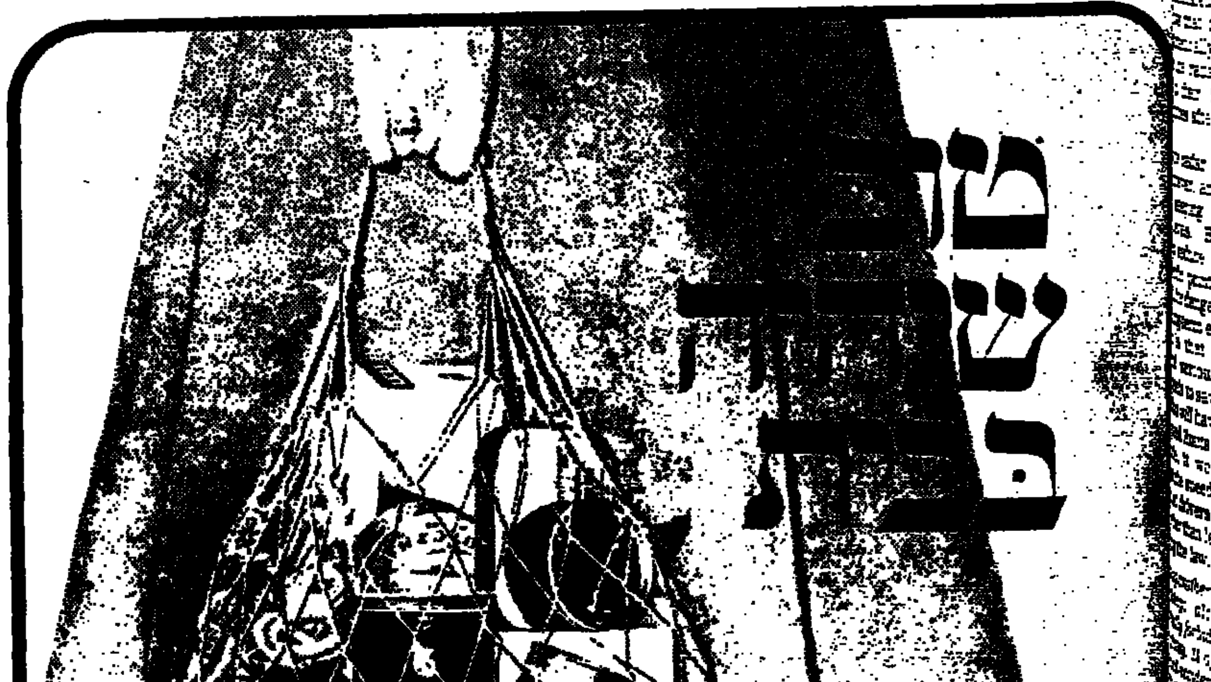
MAY 16 means more to Washington lawyer Herbert Fierst than the date of the 10th anniversary of a reunited Jerusalem. It was on that day years ago, that he celebrated his Mitzva in the Hurva Synagogu the Old City's Jewish Quarter.

Fierst read in *The Jerusalem* Overseas Edition recently abou Municipality's plans to celebrat first decade since reunification remembered that the date had a sonal meaning for him. He wrot friend in the Foreign Ministry, e pressing his eagerness to come Jerusalem and take part in celebrations. The letter w forwarded to Mayor Teddy Kol who is trying to help.

Unfortunately, the once mag cent Hurva Synagogue — destr by the Arabs in 1948 — is st ruins. Lack of funds and disag ment over plans have prevent from being rebuilt.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